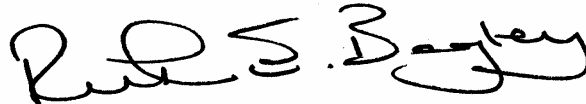


Date of issue: 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

<b>MEETING</b>	<b>LOCAL ACCESS FORUM</b> Laurie Tucker (Chair), Councillors Dodds and Parmar, David Coe, Toby Evans, Malcolm Hellings, Margery Hitchman, Ian Houghton, Margaret Innis and Ken Wright)
<b>DATE AND TIME:</b>	WEDNESDAY, 12TH MAY, 2010 AT 5.30 PM
<b>VENUE:</b>	COMMITTEE ROOM 2, TOWN HALL, BATH ROAD, SLOUGH
<b>DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICER: (for all enquiries)</b>	TERESA CLARK 01753 875018

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are requested to attend the above Meeting at the time and date indicated to deal with the business set out in the following agenda.



**RUTH BAGLEY**  
Chief Executive

**NOTE TO MEMBERS**

This meeting is an approved duty for the payment of travel expenses.

**AGENDA**

**PART 1**



<u>AGENDA</u> <u>ITEM</u>	<u>REPORT TITLE</u>	<u>PAGE</u>	
1.	Apologies		
2.	Declarations of Interest (Members are reminded of their duty to declare personal and prejudicial interests as set out in the Slough Local Access Forum Terms of Reference)		
3.	MInutes of the Last meeting held on 12th January, 2010		
4.	Matters Arising		5 Mins
5.	Membership Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press Release</li> <li>• Grapevine</li> <li>• Website</li> <li>• Re-appointment of Members</li> </ul>		10 Mins
6.	Evergreen Trust-Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Locations of signage for Britwell Loop on footpaths and LAF support</li> </ul>	1 - 4	15 Mins
7.	Gating Order Proposals-Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mildenhall to Lerwick Drive (Vinay Vyas)</li> <li>• Shaggy Calf lane to Borderside (Esther Deacon)</li> <li>• Salt Hill Park Tunnel (Nahid Moghul)</li> </ul>	5 - 16	10 Mins
8.	LTP 3- Cycling Consultation (ROWIP/LTP3 Integraion)		15 Mins
9.	Cinder Track Action Plan	17 - 18	10 Mins
10.	Regional and National Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Future of England Access Forum</li> <li>• Regional Meeting and SE LAF Members Conference</li> </ul>		15 Mins
11.	AOB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slough LAF Draft Annual Report</li> <li>• Recent Modification Orders-Jubilee River</li> <li>• Updates on Planning Applications</li> <li>• Wild Food Bid Request and LAF letter of</li> </ul>	19 - 36	15 Mins

support.

12. Next Meeting Date- 8th September, 2010 at 5.30 p.m.

Press and Public

You are welcome to attend this meeting which is open to the press and public, as an observer. You will however be asked to leave before the Committee considers any items in the Part II agenda. Special facilities may be made available for disabled or non-English speaking persons. Please contact the Democratic Services Officer shown above for further details.

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SLOUGH LOCAL ACCESS FORUM – 12<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2010

**REPORT ON: UPDATE ON EVERGREEN TRUST ACTIVITY AND BRITWELL BIODIVERSITY OPPORTUNITY AREA (BOA).**

**1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

The purpose of the report is to provide information about the Evergreen Trust's yearly work programme and the Britwell BOA project showing where consultation with the LAF is included. The LAF can then decide on an appropriate course of action.

**2. PROPOSALS**

**2.1 The Evergreen Trust**

The Evergreen Trust's Alan Woodley presented to the last LAF meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> Jan 2010. He explained about how the group helps manage the public open space and council owned woodland that exists in north Britwell including, Cocksherd Wood, Lynch Hill Valley, Lammas Meadow, Bangles Spinney, Lynch Hill Spinney and other peripheral areas.

These public open and wooded areas have great potential to provide public enjoyment of the natural environment and to the south link with the Haymill Nature Reserve known as "the Millie". The Millie is managed by BBOWT (Berk, Bucks & Oxon Wildlife Trust).

Evergreen Trust has a yearly work programme which they submit for approval to the Housing dept of Slough Borough Council as the landowner. Once approved Evergreen Trust proceed with the works dependent on what funding they are able to achieve.

They are currently applying for funding from the DEFRA aggregates levy fund and from Mars. No information is currently forthcoming about the Mars bid. The aggregates levy fund bid was successful last year though the money did not become available until August 09 which left limited time to organise works before financial yearend.

The Evergreen Trust's work programme specifically refers to LAF involvement as follows:

**Of particular interest to Slough Borough Council are**

- 1) the installation of a network of signs and waypoint markers (with the advice of the Slough Local Access Forum)**
- 2) installation of a flight of steps from Lynch Hill Valley at Long Furlong Drive (with the advice of the Slough Local Access Forum)**

**3) installation of soakaway drainage at the Farnham Lane mini-roundabout footpath (with the advice of South Bucks District Council)**

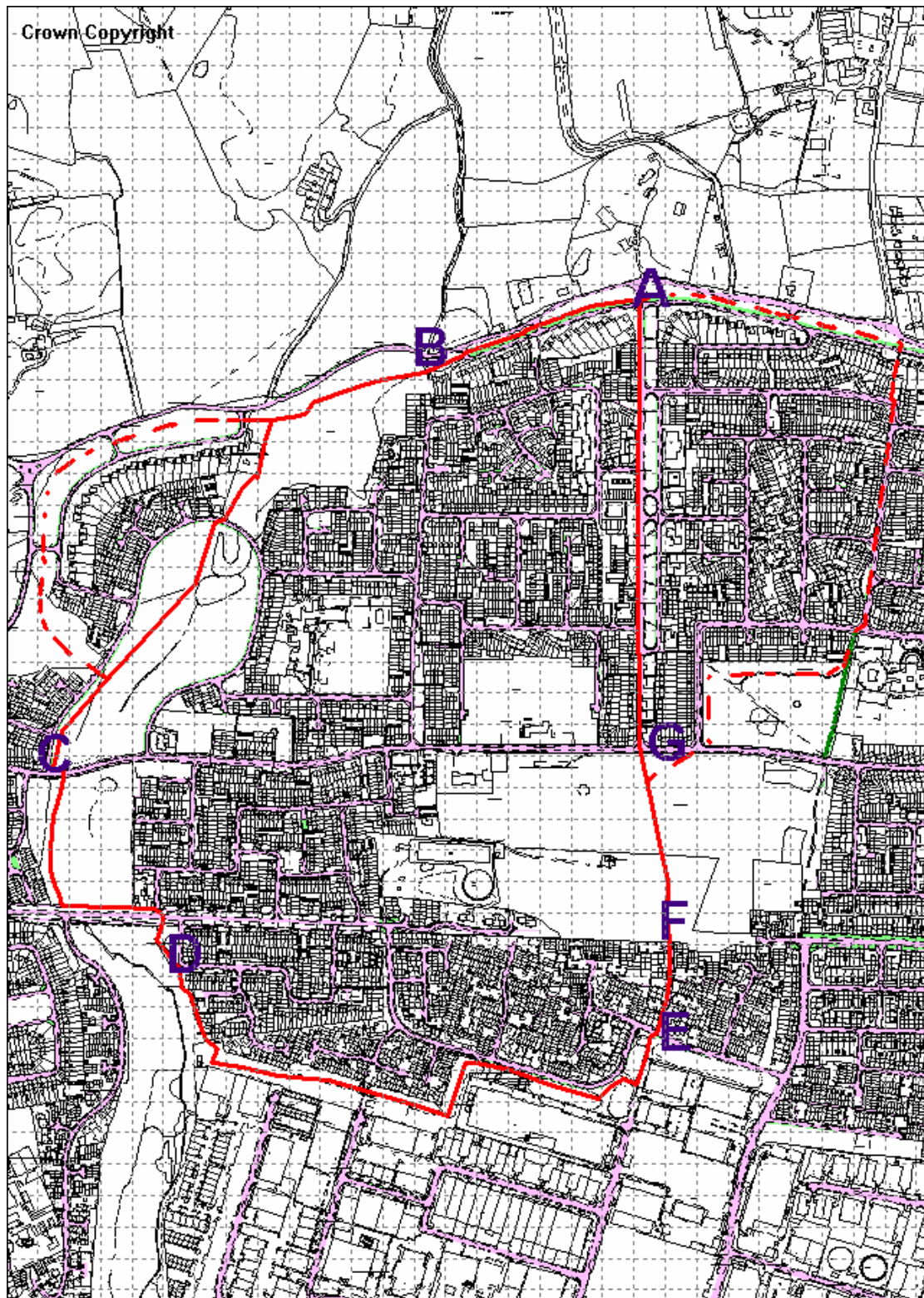
It is noted that:

1) - The Slough Local Access Forum would like to be consulted on locations and design of signage to be used in way marking the Britwell Loop and would also like to help in promotion of the Loop. In addition Slough Borough Council Traffic Section would need to be consulted on any signage proposed within the public highway.

2) – The steps need to be as accessible as possible. Nationally accepted guidelines from DfT can be found in publication “Inclusive Mobility – A Guide to Best Practice on Access to Pedestrian and Transport Infrastructure”, 8.4 Changes in Level. <http://www.dft.gov.uk/transportforyou/access/peti/inclusivemobility?page=8#a1048>. This recommends tread depth of 300mm and riser height 150mm (170mm max acceptable) with no overhang.

Alan will shortly be starting to decide on what style of signs to use and where to put them and has indicated that he would be happy to meet with a sub group of the forum to put heads together on these issues. **Proposal: That a couple of members agree to arrange a sub group meeting with Alan to look at the map and perhaps walk the route.**

MAP OF THE BRITWELL LOOP (Showing public highway)



## 2.2 Britwell Biodiversity Opportunity Area (BOA) Action Plan

The last meeting of the Britwell BOA was held on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2010. The main points discussed were;

The Hearing on the 14<sup>th</sup> June to be held at SMP for the Planning Inspector to approve the Site Allocations Development Plan Document which is part of Slough's Local Development Framework (LDF).

This proposes that Lynch Hill Valley, Lammas Meadow and Bangles Spinney are to be designated as non-statutory informal nature reserves.

The DPD also indicates what areas have been identified as possible future development sites. The plan doesn't protect sites from development necessarily but it puts forward the Council's intentions in terms of biodiversity amongst other things. Evergreen Trust members were concerned that Lynch Hill Spinney has been left vulnerable to future development and wanted it to be included in the DPD. However, it was too late for this piece of land to be included.

The consultation for the DPD had run from 06/11/09 to 18/12/09.

The BOA meeting agreed that continued community management of this piece of land together with its inclusion together with all the other public open/wooded spaces in the area would help reduce the chances of it being developed in the future.

There is going to be a Britwell Carnival on the 19<sup>th</sup> June from 10am. Evergreen Trust is attending as well as a representative from the BOA action group. **Proposal: That there is a LAF presence at the Britwell Carnival to help promote the LAF.**

The BOA Action Plan mentions consultation with the LAF for two reasons;

- Improvement of paths and disabled access.
- Improvement of directional signage.

It is hoped that these will be addressed through liaisons with Alan Woodley of the Evergreen Trust.



SLOUGH LOCAL ACCESS FORUM – 12<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2010

**REPORT ON: UPDATE ON BORDERSIDE TO SHAGGY CALF LANE GATING PROPOSAL**

**1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

The purpose of the report is to update members about the Borderside to Shaggy Calf Lane Gating Proposal.

**2. Update**

Out of 600 questionnaires sent out, 120 were returned; this is an 18% response rate.

The data received has been input and is still being analysed by Esther Deacon the Community Safety Project Officer for this area. The plan is to meet with residents in this area in early June to provide them with the results of the consultation and set out an action plan for the area.

A CCTV camera was erected at the alleyway for a period of three months and Esther has been busy considering the footage and data provided. The camera is no longer at this location.

The usage of the alleyway is as follows;

- 400 people per day have been recorded using the alleyway during the three months the camera was there.
- The main usage is during the hours of 12 – 6pm, but there were also substantial numbers of people using the alley between 7 – 11pm
- On some days there were single people using the alley at midnight then at 3am, at 5am and then at 7am onwards when numbers began to increase.

Esther related that the footage did show a group of hooded youths walking through the alley on one occasion. However, they were using the alleyway legitimately.

While the camera was up no anti social behaviour was recorded on it, though it should be noted that there were a few occasions when the screen went blue for a while and no pictures were transmitted. Apparently, this does happen sometimes with all the cameras. Unfortunately, at these particular times there were a couple of incidents which led to the adjoining residents fences being damaged.

Esther stressed that while the evidence from the camera and the responses from the consultation are still being considered, she is veering away from

recommending pursuing a gating on this alleyway due to the amount of use it receives.

The damage to the resident's property remains a problem and Community Safety will have to consider what action can be taken to alleviate this.

Esther would be happy to attend the next LAF meeting to give a further report on this matter as she will then have had the opportunity to meet with both residents and managers to gain their opinions.

Date February 2010

**Department:** Drugs and Community Safety  
**Contact Name:** Esther Deacon  
**Contact No:** 01753 477355  
**Email:** Esther.Deacon@slough.gov.uk

Dear Resident

It has been brought to my attention that some residents in your area are experiencing some crime and anti-social behaviour problems.

In order to assess the problems I would like to obtain your views. Therefore I have compiled a short questionnaire which is enclosed with this letter. I would be very grateful if you could please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire and return it in the envelope provided or to the following address (no stamp required):

Freepost Plus RSEA-LCHC-THSR  
Drugs and Community Safety  
St. Martins Place  
51 Bath Road  
Slough  
SL1 3UF

**Please return the completed questionnaire by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2010.**

If you have any queries about the survey or would like to discuss your suggestions in more detail, please contact me on 01753 477355. Equally if you require any help filling in the questionnaire please contact me. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

I would like to take this opportunity to stress that incidents of anti-social behaviour and criminal damage should be reported to the Police non-emergency number on 08458 505 505 (unless a crime is in progress or someone is in immediate danger in which case you should call 999). Incidents of anti-social behaviour can also be reported to Slough Borough Council through our Anti-Social Behaviour hotline on 0845 605 2222 (you will be charged at local rate). Criminal activity should be reported to the Police and not the Council.

Yours faithfully,

Esther Deacon  
Community Safety Project Officer

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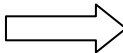
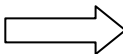
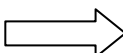
## IMPROVING NEIGHBOURHOODS AND REDUCING CRIME

Please take a few minutes to complete this questionnaire to give us a better understanding of any crime and anti-social behaviour problems which you may be experiencing in your local area.

Name
Address
Telephone number

Please be assured that your contact details will be held by Slough Borough Council and will not be passed to any third parties.

**1. Do you think there is a problem with crime and anti-social behaviour in your local area?** (please ✓ appropriate box)

- Yes       Please go to question 2
- Don't know       Please go to question 2
- No       Please go to question 4

Please note: even if you do not feel there is a problem with crime and anti-social behaviour in your local area we are still keen to receive your feedback.

**Please turn over for question 2**

**2. What type of anti-social behaviour or criminal activity have you witnessed taking place and where?**

Please ✓ all the boxes that apply. The locations are listed on the left hand side and the types of activity listed along the top. If you have not witnessed anti-social behaviour or criminal activity taking place at any of these locations please leave the boxes blank.

Locations	Type of Anti-Social Behaviour/Criminal Activity										
	Arson	Criminal damage / vandalism	Drinking (alcohol)	Drug Taking/ Drug Dealing	Fly tipping	Graffiti	Groups congregating	Littering	Noise	Prostitution	Other (detail on next page)
<b>Streets</b>											
Borderside	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dunbar Close	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grasmere Avenue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kendal Drive/Kendal Close	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Moray Drive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shaggy Calf Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Alleyways</b>											
Shaggy Calf Lane to Borderside	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shaggy Calf Lane to Kendal Drive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kendal Drive to Grasmere Avenue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**2 CONTINUED:**

Locations	Type of Anti-Social Behaviour/Criminal Activity										
	Arson	Criminal damage / vandalism	Drinking (alcohol)	Drug Taking/ Drug Dealing	Fly tipping	Graffiti	Groups congregating	Littering	Noise	Prostitution	Other (detail at bottom of page)
<b>Outside local amenities</b>											
Outside shops on Grasmere Parade	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outside BP Garage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outside Golden Cross Pub	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other</b>											
Please provide details in the box below	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



**3. Please tick any actions you feel would help to alleviate the problems you have identified in question two (please ✓ all that apply).**

Increased Police visibility

Increased visibility of Community Wardens

Increased CCTV cameras

Improving lighting

Alley gating (closing alleyways to the public)

Other (please provide further details)

**4. Thinking about your local area, how much of a problem do you think the following are... (Please ✓ appropriate box)**

	Not a problem at all	Not a very big problem	A fairly big problem	A very big problem	Don't know
Parents not taking responsibility for the behaviour of their children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People not treating other people with respect / consideration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noisy neighbours or loud parties	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teenagers hanging around on the streets	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rubbish or litter lying around	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vandalism, graffiti or other deliberate damage to property or vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People using or dealing drugs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People being drunk or rowdy in public places	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abandoned or burnt out cars	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Misuse of off road motorbikes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**5. Additional Comments** - Please use the space provided for any additional comments or suggestions for projects that may make you feel safer in the area where you live (please continue on a separate sheet if necessary).

# Equalities Monitoring Form

Slough Borough Council wants to deliver high quality services to everyone, whatever their background. It is also important that everyone feels their views are valued and included.

**You are not required to complete any of these sections**, but telling us about your background will help us to make sure that we are meeting the needs of all our communities. If you feel that the group you identify with is not listed, please feel free to write this in. All responses will be treated in confidence.

**Gender**                      Male       Female

**Age**                      Under 18 years                            50-59                        
                                 18-29                                            60-69                        
                                 30-39                                            70 +                        
                                 40-49                     

## Your ethnic background/origin:

### White

British      
Irish       
Any other White background (please specify)  
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### Mixed

White and Black Caribbean                        
White and Black African                           
White and Asian                                       
Any other mixed background (Please specify)  
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### Asian or British Asian

Indian       
Pakistani      
Bangladeshi                                           
Sikh      
Any other Asian background (please specify)  
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### Black or Black British

Caribbean                                           
African       
Any other Black background (Please specify)  
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### Chinese or other ethnic group

Chinese    

Any other background (Please specify)  
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Religion and Belief

- |           |                          |        |                          |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| None      | <input type="checkbox"/> | Jewish | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Buddhist  | <input type="checkbox"/> | Muslim | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Christian | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sikh   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Hindu     | <input type="checkbox"/> |        |                          |

Any other religion (Please specify)

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Do you consider yourself to have a disability?                      Yes                       No

What do we mean by a disability?

The Disability Discrimination Act defines disability as a physical or mental impairment with long- term, substantial effects on ability to perform day to day activities.

Examples of Disabilities - The following conditions or impairments are given as a guide only and are not meant to be exclusive:

Hearing, speech or visual impairments (if you wear glassed or contact lenses this is not normally considered a disability)

Co-ordination, dexterity or mobility (e.g. polio, spinal cord injury, back problems, repetitive strain injury)

Mental health (e.g. schizophrenia, depression, severe phobias)

Speech Impairment (e.g. stammering)

Learning Disabilities (e.g. Down's syndrome)

Other physical or medical conditions (e.g. diabetes, epilepsy, arthritis, cardiovascular conditions, haemophilia, asthma, cancer, facial disfigurement, sickle cell, dyslexia)

Sexual Orientation

- |                   |                          |                       |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Bisexual          | <input type="checkbox"/> | Heterosexual/Straight | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Gay Man           | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Gay Woman/Lesbian | <input type="checkbox"/> | Prefer Not to Say     | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Thank you for taking the time to complete these questions. Your responses will help us to ensure Slough Borough Council provides services which are accessible to all of Slough's communities.

<b>Site Visit</b>	<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
19/05/09	Jacqui Wheeler; Vinay Vyas; David Kilby; Ken Wright(LAF + North Slough Residents Forum); PCSO Soden; Residents; Jean Sellars and ?	Savio Decruz	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Progress / Action</b>
<b>Lighting</b>	Light number 013 (between Oatlands Drive and Warrington Ave) – No lantern cover	JW	Lighting engineer informed
	Foliage covering lights in Gloucester Ave – Hampshire Ave section	JW	Lighting engineer informed
	Granville Ave – Cumberland Ave section. 032 and 035 obscured. 039 lantern cover come off	JW	Lighting engineer informed
<b>Fencing</b>	Is the chain link fencing temporary?	SD	No they are permanent
	Maintenance schedule for fences that are vandalised?	SD	During installation of the fence
<b>Gating</b>	Letters to be sent to residents of 166 and 164A/B Canterbury Avenue about gating off path leading to cinder track.	VV	Consultation may need to be wider. Gate vis-à-vis permanent barrier to be considered
<b>Surface of Path</b>	Fibre Gravel loose. Concerns raised about risk to cyclists.	SD	Gravel will be swept off as soon as primary layer is bedded in. Expected to be swept in September 09
<b>Planning issues</b>	84 Gloucester Avenue – large brick built extension + glass on top of brick wall	VV	Planning enforcement informed
	Hampshire Ave – Canterbury Ave section. Fake blue garage shutter door hiding UPVC doors and windows section leading to possible accommodation.	VV	Planning enforcement informed
	Barbwire on rear fence panel (opp 1 Granville Ave)	VV	Planning enforcement informed
<b>Dog Fouling</b>	Dog bin installation	SD	3 bins installed as. 4 general waste bins to be installed
<b>ASB</b>	Increase patrolling in hotspot locations.	VV	PCSOs, Wardens and Police aware
<b>Graffiti</b>	Gloucester Ave – Hampshire Ave section – Cable boxes heavily graffitied. Investigate if cable boxes are being used.	JW/VV	Outstanding. To be actioned
<b>Fly Tip</b>	Rear of 126 / 128 Canterbury Ave flytipped.	VV	Outstanding. To be actioned

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# SLOUGH LOCAL ACCESS FORUM

## ANNUAL REPORT 2009

### Introduction:

"Whilst it is recognised that the Slough Local Access Forum is relatively small in size, it is still I feel, very proactive. All members have been involved in various activities around the borough. We are also trying to work with adjoining Local Access Forums to improve the accessibility countryside from urban Slough via cross boundary links"

**Laurie Tucker,**  
**Chair of Local Access Forum 2009**

### What is a Local Access Forum?

The Slough Local Access Forum is made up of a group of local volunteers who have interests in improving walking, cycling and horse riding access across the borough.

Set up under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, members provide strategic advice to Slough Borough

Council and other organisations managing access.

The Borough Council is legally required to have regard to any advice received from the forum.

### Meetings of the Forum in 2009

11<sup>th</sup> February 2009    13<sup>th</sup> May 2009  
10<sup>th</sup> September 2009    12<sup>th</sup> January 2010

### Current Members

The Slough Local Access Forum is now actively seeking new members as several current members periods of membership are coming up for renewal.

<i>Member</i>	<i>Representing</i>
David Coe	Conservation
May Dodds	SBC Councillor
Toby Evans	Cycling
Malcolm Hellings	Walking
Margery Hitchman	Accessibility
Ian Houghton (Vice Chair '08)	Cycling
Margaret Innis	General & conservation
Satpal Parmar	SBC Councillor
Laurie Tucker (Chair '08)	Colnbrook with Poyle Parish Council & Local Community
Ken Wright	Walking and Local community

### Activities in 2009

#### Building relationships

The Sustrans "Bike It" Officer visited the SLAF once again to explain progress that

has been made across the borough with the Bike It and Bikeability schemes.

The SLAF was eager to hear that increased numbers of children are now receiving the improved training. Questions were raised about how training could be expanded to help those who cannot afford bicycles and how the council can work with and help support the Freewheelers, local cycling group. This is an area the SLAF hopes to investigate further.

The SLAF recognises that encouraging sustainable modes of transport is key to successful transport planning for the future. To help achieve the kind of shift in transport choice required the SLAF is keen to encourage the Council to improve the local access network, including all off road access so that it can meet the needs of the greatest number of people.

### Planning Gains

SLAF members attended a meeting with the Council's Transport Planners to look at a major planning application and help identify improvements to the walking and cycling infrastructure.

These improvements could then be included in negotiations with the developers for potential inclusion as a contribution under Planning legislation.

### The Canal

Members of the SLAF met with British Waterways and the Chairman of the

Friends of Slough Canal to discuss issues arising from accessibility audits previously undertaken by members.

Future plans for development of the basin area and for encouraging use of the towpath were also discussed. British Waterways took on a variety of points made by the SLAF and provided useful information about the day to day management of the canal.

The SLAF continues to be interested in the towpath as a major local walking and cycling link for both functional and recreational access and will look at actions it can take to help British Waterways and the Friends group in managing this local nature resource.

### **Regional Communication & England Access Forum**

The SLAF has discussed its position on Gating Orders, Coastal Access and Shared Use Routes all of which are issues on the national agenda. The EAF has been experiencing difficulty with the necessary support being provided by Natural England, but is continuing to fight to be the voice of LAFs on a national level providing advice at the inception of access policy to Central Government. The Slough LAF fully supports the need for the existence of the England Access Forum.

### **Walking into the Countryside**

Cross boundary links to countryside continues to be a major concern of the

SLAF. Work is continuing after letters were sent out to try to engage with neighbouring Rights of Way teams, Local Access Forums and Parish Councils.

### **Community Safety**

Again this year the SLAF has been kept informed about ongoing community safety issues concerning alleys across the borough.

No actual Gating Orders have been made this year, with the SLAF instrumental in influencing the Council's decision not to make any Orders, balancing access needs with what can often be very real concerns about anti-social behaviour.

SLAF members have been involved in evaluating the accessibility of automated gates should a gating order eventually be made.

For further information about the Slough Local Access Forum and how you can get involved please visit the Local Access Forum web pages or contact the officer to the Slough Forum:

Jacqui Wheeler

LAF Support Officer - 01753 477479 or  
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[localaccessforum@slough.gov.uk](mailto:localaccessforum@slough.gov.uk)

Link to LAF web pages is:

<http://slough.gov.uk/services/11625.asp>





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Dear Sir or Madam

**Re: Modification Order Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981  
Slough Borough Council Footpaths 10, 10A, 11, 18, 32, 33, 83, 87, and 88 Slough and  
Bridleways 17, 84, 84A, 85 and 86 Slough Modification Order 2009**

Please find enclosed for your information a copy of the above order.

If we can assist you further with this matter please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Anayle".

For Borough Secretary and Solicitor

**MODIFICATION ORDER**

**WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

**SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**FIRST CONSOLIDATED DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT**

**THE SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL FOOTPATHS 10, 10A, 11, 18, 32, 33,  
83, 87 AND 88 SLOUGH AND BRIDLEWAYS 17, 84, 84A, 85 AND 86  
SLOUGH MODIFICATION ORDER 2009**

This Order is made by Slough Borough Council under Sections 53 (2) (b) and 53 (3) (a) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 ("The Act") because it appears to that Authority that the Slough Borough First Consolidated Definitive Map and Statement require modification in consequence of the occurrence of events specified in Sections 53 (3) (a) (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Act, namely, the extinguishment of Footpaths 10 (part), 10A, 11 (part), 18 (part), 32 (part) and 33 (part) and Bridleway 17 (part) Slough on 31 August 2005, the upgrading to a bridleway of part of Footpath 10 Slough on 17 October 1996, and the creation of Footpaths 10 (part), 10A, 33 (part), 83, 87 and 88 and Bridleways 17 (part), 84, 84A, 85 and 86 Slough on 17 October 1996.

Slough Borough Council hereby orders that:

- 1 For the purposes of this Order the relevant date is 1<sup>st</sup> October 2009
- 2 The Slough Borough First Consolidated Definitive Map and Statement shall be modified as described in Part I and Part II of the Schedule and shown on the maps attached to the Order
- 3 This Order shall take effect on the date it is made and may be cited as the Slough Borough Council Footpaths 10, 10a, 11, 18, 32, 33, 83, 87 and 88 Slough and Bridleways 17, 84, 84A, 85 and 86 Slough Modification Order 2009

## SCHEDULE

### PART I

#### MODIFICATION OF THE DEFINITIVE MAP

(References to lettered points in the following descriptions are references to letters on the attached maps showing the paths or ways being described. All distances are approximate).

#### DESCRIPTION OF PATH OR WAY TO BE DELETED

##### **Footpath 10 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point A (grid reference 49341 17967), where the path turns to run in a southerly direction away from the Roundmoor Ditch, and runs in a southerly direction for a distance of 425 metres to point B (grid reference 49333 17926) at the junction with Footpath 11 Slough on the Borough boundary, with an undefined width throughout.

##### **Footpath 10A Slough**

The path which commences at point E (grid reference 49334 17934) on Footpath 10 Slough and runs in a south-westerly direction for a distance of 80 metres to point F (grid reference 49329 17927) on the Borough boundary at the junction of Footpaths 11 Slough and 7 Dorney (Buckinghamshire), with an undefined width throughout.

##### **Footpath 11 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point G (grid reference 49316 17947) on the Borough boundary, at the south-eastern end of Footpath 11 Dorney (Buckinghamshire), and runs in a south-easterly direction for a distance of 240 metres to point F (grid reference 49329 17927) on the Borough boundary at the junction of Footpaths 10A Slough and 7 Dorney (Buckinghamshire), with an undefined width throughout.

##### **Bridleway 17 Slough (part)**

The section of way which commences at point R (grid reference 49479 17921), 30 metres south of the Pipe Line Station, and runs in a south-south-westerly direction across the Jubilee River for a distance of 110 metres to point M (grid reference 49475 17911), 310 metres north of the junction of Bridleway 17 and Colenorton Crescent, Eton Wick, with an undefined width.

##### **Footpath 18 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point S (grid reference 49503 17923), 25 metres north of the Jubilee River, and runs in an east-south-easterly and south-south-easterly direction across the Jubilee River for a distance of 90 metres to point T (grid reference 49510 17918) on the new cycletrack south of the Jubilee River.

### **Footpath 32 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point U (grid reference 49605 17901) at the junction of the path with Footpath 4 Eton at the Borough boundary, and runs in an easterly direction across the A355, then in a north-easterly, east-south-easterly and easterly direction along the southern edge of the M4 motorway for a distance of 630 metres to point V (grid reference 49663 17900) at the western side of the railway, where the path turns to run in a northerly direction under the M4.

### **Footpath 33 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point W (grid reference 49669 17901), on the southern side of the M4, 30 metres east of the railway line, and runs in an easterly, and south-south-easterly direction across the Jubilee River for a distance of 268 metres to point X (grid reference 49686 17885), 10 metres north of the A332, with an undefined width throughout.

## **DESCRIPTION OF PATH TO BE UPGRADED TO A BRIDLEWAY**

### **Footpath 10 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point J (grid reference 49345 17968) at the southern end of Footpath 65 Burnham (Buckinghamshire) at the Borough boundary in the centre of the Roundmoor Ditch, and runs in a southerly direction for a distance of 12 metres to point K (grid reference 49343 17966), where the path turns to run in a westerly direction.

## **DESCRIPTION OF PATH OR WAY TO BE ADDED**

### **Footpath 10 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point K (49344 17966) where the path turns to run WNW to point A (grid reference 49341 17967) for a distance of 30m. At point A the path turns to run southwards away from the Roundmoor Ditch, and runs southwards passing over two bridges across the Jubilee River, for a distance of 402 metres to point C (grid reference 49331 17929). The path then turns to run in a south-easterly direction for a distance of 50 metres to point D (grid reference 49334 17926) at the Borough boundary, at the junction of the path with Footpaths 11 Slough and 11 Dorney (Buckinghamshire). The minimum width of the path is 2.0 metres.

### **Footpath 10A Slough**

The path which commences at point C (grid reference 49331 17929) on Footpath 10 and runs in a south-westerly direction for a distance of 36 metres to point F (grid reference 49329 17927) on the Borough boundary at the junction of Footpaths 11 Slough and 7 Dorney (Buckinghamshire). The minimum width of the path is 2.0 metres.

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### **Bridleway 17 Slough (part)**

The section of way which commences at point R (grid reference 49479 17921), 30 metres south of the Pipe Line Station, and runs in a south-south-westerly direction across the Jubilee River on the Wood Lane Bridge for a distance of 110 metres to point M (grid reference 49475 17911), 310 metres north of the junction of Bridleway 17 and Colenorton Crescent, Eton Wick. The width of the way is 4 metres, widening to 5 metres over the bridge and then widening to 11 metres south of the bridge.

### **Footpath 33 Slough (part)**

The section of path which commences at point W (grid reference 49669 17901), on the southern side of the M4, 30 metres east of the railway line, and runs in an easterly, and south-south-easterly direction for a distance of 160 metres to point Y (grid reference 49681 17894) on the cycletrack north of the Jubilee River. The width of the path is a minimum of 2.0 metres.

The section of path which commences at point Z (grid reference 49685 17894) on the cycletrack north of the Jubilee River and runs in a southerly direction over a bridge across the Jubilee River for a distance of 90 metres to point X (grid reference 49686 17885), 10 metres north of the A332. The width of the path is a minimum of 2.0 metres.

### **Footpath 83 Slough**

The path which commences at point H (grid reference 49317 17954) at the southern end of a footpath in Dorney (Buckinghamshire) at the Borough boundary, and runs in a generally easterly direction on the northern side of the Jubilee River, crossing Footpath 10 Slough, for a distance of 310 metres to point I (grid reference 49347 17952) on Bridleway 84 Slough.

### **Bridleway 84 Slough**

The way which commences at point J (grid reference 49344, 17968) in the centre of Roundmoor Ditch at the borough boundary runs south to point K (grid reference 49344 17966) in a generally south-easterly and southerly direction over Manor Farm Bridge across the Jubilee River for a distance of 519 metres to point L (grid reference 49352 17920) at the Borough boundary, 30 metres south of the junction with Bridleway 85 Slough.

### **Bridleway 84A Slough**

The way which commences at point AA (grid reference 49348 17894) at the southern end of a bridleway in Buckinghamshire at the Borough boundary, and runs in a southerly, south-easterly and southerly direction for a distance of 115 metres to point BB (grid reference 49352 17886) at the borough boundary at the boundary of Dorney Common.

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### **Bridleway 85 Slough**

The way which commences at point M (grid reference 49316 17938) at the eastern end of a bridleway in Buckinghamshire at the Borough boundary, and runs in a generally east-south-easterly direction, crossing Footpath 10 Slough, for a distance of 409 metres to point N (grid reference 49352 17923) on Bridleway 84 Slough.

### **Bridleway 86 Slough**

The way which commences at point LL (grid reference 49352 17915) on a bridleway in Buckinghamshire at the Borough boundary, 110 metres south of the southern end of Manor Farm Bridge, and runs in a generally easterly direction south of the cycletrack about 50 metres south of the Jubilee River to Manor Farm Weir, then about 10 metres south of the River, for a total distance of 1267 metres to point M (grid reference 49475 17911) on Bridleway 17 Slough (Wood Lane).

### **Footpath 87 Slough**

The path which commences at point N (grid reference 49374 17887) on Footpath 12 Slough, 40 metres north of the boundary of Dorney Common, and runs in a generally north-north-easterly direction for a distance of 311 metres, crossing Bridleway 86 Slough, to join the new cycleway south of the Jubilee River at point O (grid reference 49394 17912).

### **Footpath 88 Slough**

The path which commences at point P (grid reference 49427 17907) at the north-eastern corner of Dorney Common, and runs in a northerly, north-easterly and north-westerly direction, crossing Bridleway 86 Slough, for a distance of 87 metres to join the new cycleway south of the Jubilee River at point Q (grid reference 49429 17913).

## **PART II**

### **MODIFICATION OF DEFINITIVE STATEMENT**

#### **VARIATION OF PARTICULARS OF PATH OR WAY**

### **Footpath 10 Slough**

The most northerly 7m-long section of this path shall be known as part of Bridleway 84 Slough.

The new description of Footpath 10 shall be:		
From	Bridleway 84 5m S of the Roundmoor Ditch, W & S	
To	Junction of FPs 11 Slough and 11 Dorney (Bucks) at the Borough boundary	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW



Limitations:

pedestrian gate at S end (point D)  
2 bridges over the Jubilee River

The width of the path shall be recorded as a minimum of 2.0 m

**Footpath 10A Slough**

The new description of this path shall be:		
From	FP 10 60m S of the Jubilee River, SW	
To	Junction of FPs 11 Slough and 7 Dorney (Bucks) at the Borough boundary	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

Limitation: pedestrian gate at S end (point F)

The width of the path shall be recorded as a minimum of 2.0 m

**Footpath 11 Slough**

The new description of this path shall be:		
From	Junction of FPs 10A Slough and 7 Dorney (Bucks) at the Borough boundary, E	
To	Junction of FPs 10 Slough and 11 Dorney (Bucks) at the Borough boundary	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

**Bridleway 17 Slough**

The new description of this way shall be:		
From	Cippenham Lane between "The Long Barn" public house and "The Great Barn Studios", SSW over the Jubilee River	
To	Borough boundary at N end of Moores Lane, Eton Wick	OS Map Ref SU 97 NE SU 97 NW SU 98 SE

Limitations: bollards at point R

The width of the way shall be recorded as:

4 m between point R and the Wood Lane Bridge  
5 m over the bridge  
widening to 11 m S of the bridge to point M

### Footpath 18 Slough

The description of Footpath 18 Slough shall be:		
From	Cycletrack S of the Jubilee River, SE	
To	W end of FP 2 Eton at the Borough boundary	OS Map Ref SU 97 NE

### Footpath 32 Slough

The new description of this path shall be:		
From	FP 33 N of the M4, SSW under the M4	
To	Junction of cycletracks S of the M4 & W of the railway line	OS Map Ref SU 97 NE

### Footpath 33 Slough

The remaining sections of this path shall be known as Footpaths 33A and 33B Slough

The description of Footpath 33A Slough shall be:		
From	Spackmans Way N of property No 17, SSE, ESE, SSW, E & SSE	
To	Cycletrack N of the Jubilee River	OS Map Ref SU 97 NE

Limitations: motorcycle barrier at point W

The width of the path between points W & Y shall be recorded as a minimum of 2.0m

The description of Footpath 33B Slough shall be:		
From	Cycletrack N of the Jubilee River, S over the Jubilee River, SSE over the Windsor Eton Relief Road	
To	Slough Road N of the electricity sub station	OS Map Ref SU 97 NE

Limitations: motorcycle barrier at point X

The width of the path between points Z & X shall be recorded as a minimum of 2.0 m

### Footpath 83 Slough

The description of this path shall be:		
From	S end of FP in Dorney (Bucks) at the Borough boundary 30m N of the Jubilee River, E north of the Jubilee River and across FP 10, E	
To	BR 84 N of the Jubilee River	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

Limitations: pedestrian gates at point H and 35m W of point I

The width of the path shall be recorded as a minimum of 2.0 m

### Bridleway 84 Slough

The description of this way shall be:		
From	FP 65 Burnham (Bucks) at the Borough boundary in the centre of Roundmoor Ditch, S	
To	Borough boundary 30 m S of the junction of BRs 84 & 85	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

Limitations:

bridge at point J narrowing the width to 2.0 m

bridge over the Jubilee River

bridlegates and locked vehicular access gates at points approx 110 m N of the bridge over the Jubilee River and 100 m S of the Roundmoor Ditch

The width of the way shall be recorded as:

3.0m between points J & K (except for the bridge)

minimum 4.0 m between points K & L (except for the bridge)

### Bridleway 84A Slough

The description of this way shall be:		
From	Borough boundary S of driveway to the property Magnolia Cottage, S, SE & S	
To	Borough boundary at boundary of Dorney Common	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

Limitation: bridlegate at S end (point BB)

The width of the way shall be recorded as a minimum of 4 m

### **Bridleway 85 Slough**

The description of this way shall be:		
From	E end of BR in Bucks at the Borough boundary, ESE south of the Jubilee River	
To	BR 84	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

The width of the way shall be recorded as a minimum of 3.0 m

### **Bridleway 86 Slough**

The description of this way shall be:		
From	Bridleway in Buckinghamshire at the Borough boundary, E	
To	BR 17 (Wood Lane)	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

Limitation: a motorcycle barrier at its junction with BR 17

The width of the way shall be recorded as a minimum of 3.0 m

### **Footpath 87 Slough**

The description of this path shall be:		
From	FP 12 N of Dorney Common, NNE across BR 86	
To	Cycleway S of Jubilee River	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

The width of the path shall be recorded as a minimum of 2.0 m

### **Footpath 88 Slough**

The description of this path shall be:		
From	NE corner of Dorney Common, N, NE & NW across BR 86	
To	Cycleway S of Jubilee River	OS Map Ref SU 97 NW

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Limitation: kissing gate at the S end (point P)

The width of the path shall be recorded as a minimum of 2.0 m

THE COMMON SEAL OF  
SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

was hereunto affixed on  
the            day of  
in the presence of:

18<sup>th</sup> February 2010

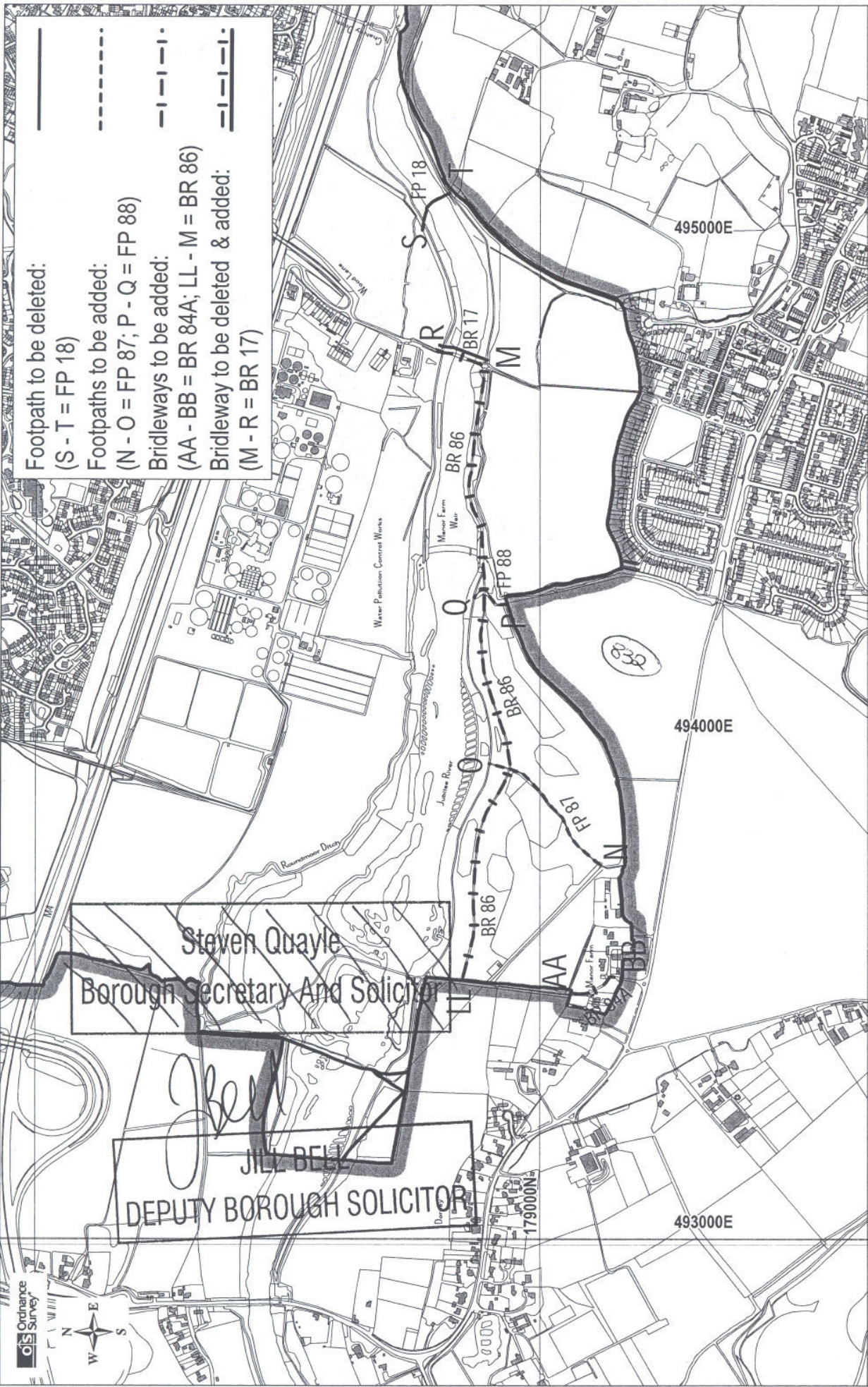
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Borough Secretary And Solicitor~~

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- Footpath to be deleted:  
(S - T = FP 18)
- Footpaths to be added:  
(N - O = FP 87; P - Q = FP 88)
- Bridleways to be added:  
(AA - BB = BR 84A; LL - M = BR 86)
- Bridleway to be deleted & added:  
(M - R = BR 17)



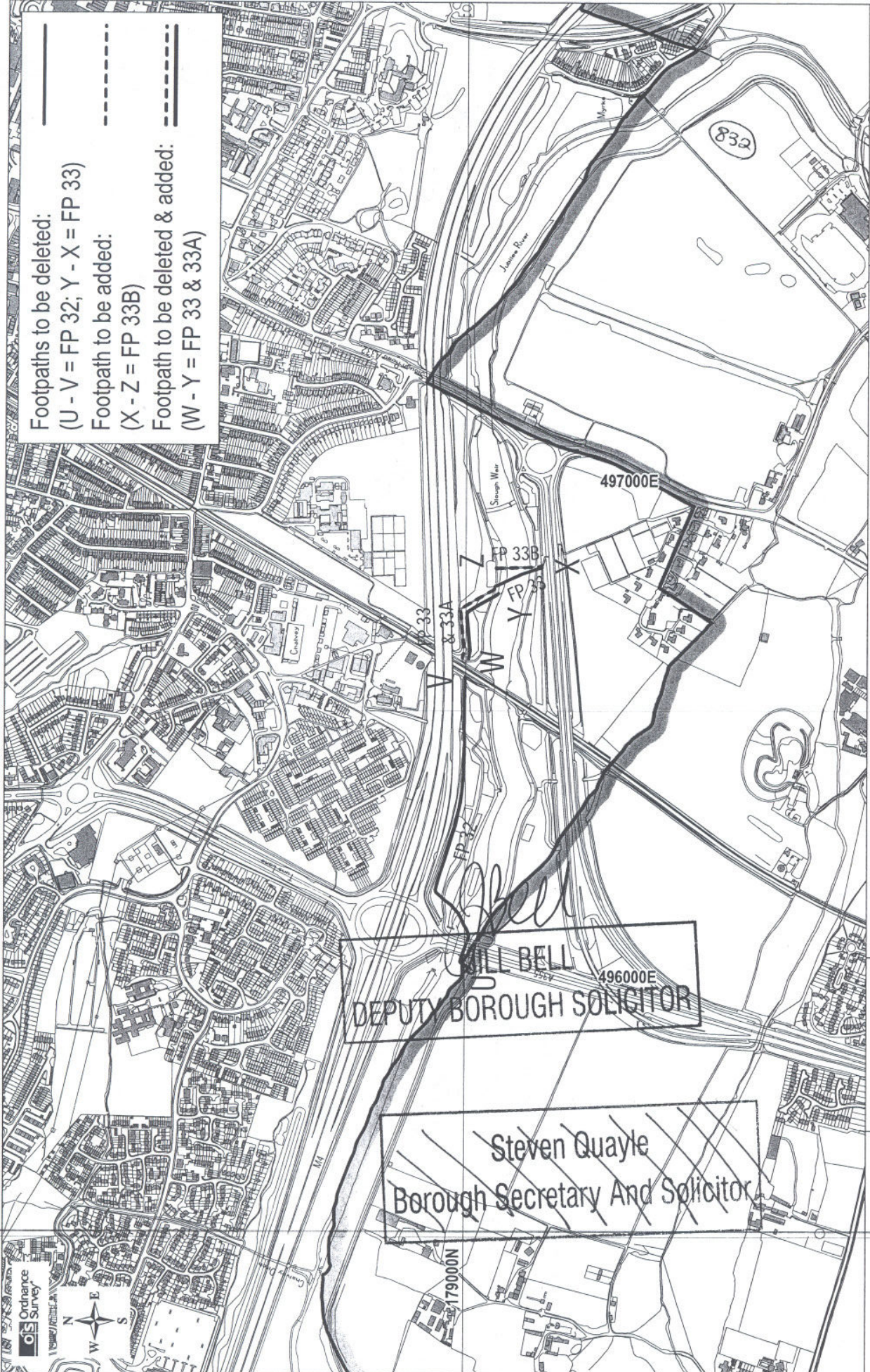
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 Footpaths to be deleted:  
 (U - V = FP 32; Y - X = FP 33)  
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 Footpath to be added:  
 (X - Z = FP 33B)  
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 Footpath to be deleted & added:  
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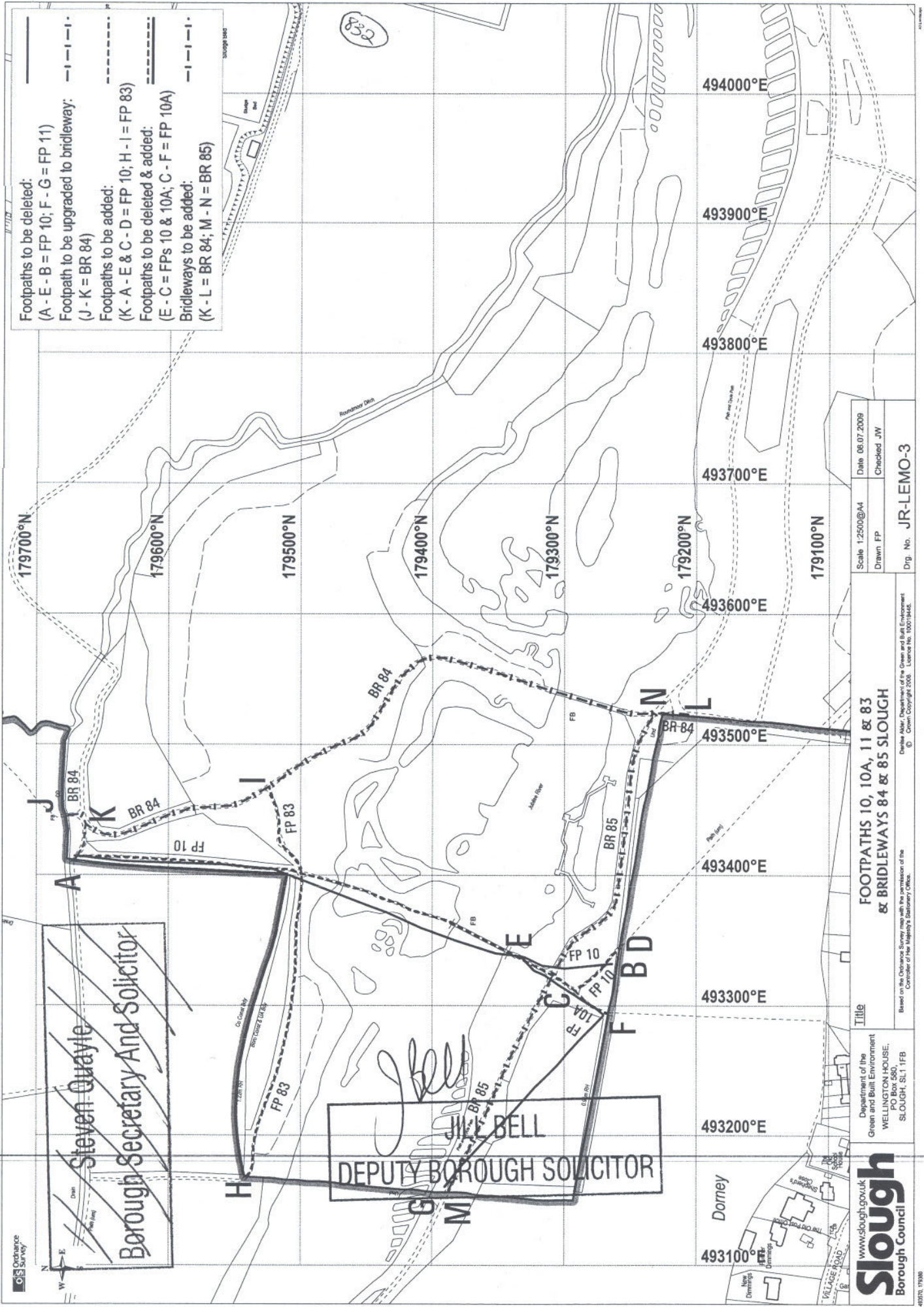
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**Footpaths to be deleted:**  
 (A - E - B = FP 10; F - G = FP 11)  
**Footpath to be upgraded to bridleway:**  
 (J - K = BR 84)  
**Footpaths to be added:**  
 (K - A - E & C - D = FP 10; H - I = FP 83)  
**Footpaths to be deleted & added:**  
 (E - C = FPs 10 & 10A; C - F = FP 10A)  
**Bridleways to be added:**  
 (K - L = BR 84; M - N = BR 85)

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**From:** Smith Holly  
**Sent:** 17 March 2010 09:44  
**Subject:** PRESS RELEASE: Go green and get local  
Slough Local Access Forum needs you!

The forum has been set up to improve access to the environment and needs more people to help expand their work in Slough.

The group wants to make a difference and influence decisions on sustainable transport, parks development and access, and recreation. Slough Local Access Forum will make Slough's green open spaces safer to enjoy.

Jacqui Wheeler, Local Access Forum secretary said; "We would really like you to join us and influence the future of Slough's green spaces. The group will make Slough a healthier and more attractive place to walk, cycle and even horse ride, but we need enthusiastic members to help us achieve our vision."

As part of the group you will need to be willing to commit some of your spare time every month but the benefits are huge, including the chance to;

- help Slough provide a better access network for all
- help improve opportunities for everyone to become healthier
- be the voice of local community opinion

We normally meet every three months, if you are passionate about local environment, join us and make a difference.

Councillor Satpal Parmar, commissioner for neighbourhoods and renewal said: "I would urge anyone who is passionate about the environment to get involved with the Local Access Forum. The Council have made progress in this area, with improvements to bus travel through the installation of real time information display boards at bus stops, and have invested in parks and open spaces, but we are always open to new ideas and that is where the public can help!"

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**For more media information, please contact Holly Smith on 01753  
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