THE OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (DIDCOT GARDEN TOWN HIGHWAYS INFRASTRUCTURE – A4130 IMPROVEMENT (MILTON GATE TO COLLETT ROUNDABOUT), A4197 DIDCOT TO CULHAM LINK ROAD, AND A415 CLIFTON HAMPDEN BYPASS) (SIDE ROADS) ORDER 2022 (HIF 1 SRO)

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#### NOTE:

## HIF 1 SRO AND HIF 1 CPO – PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY WITHIN WESTERN VALLEY PARISH

- There are two public rights of way impacted and/or referenced within the HIF 1 SRO and HIF 1 CPO which now fall within the newly formed Western Valley Parish (created in April 2023 out of an area formerly included within Harwell Parish). The Western Valley Parish boundary Map is included at ANNEX A of this Note.
- 2. At the time the HIF 1 SRO and HIF 1 CPO were made, on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022, these rights of way were numbered as
  - (a) Footpath 243/3/10 (Harwell); and
  - (b) Bridleway 243/1/10 (Harwell)

(The last two digits of the reference relating to the branch of the right of way concerned, up to where it comes to a junction with another connecting right of way or highway).

- 3. -
  - (1) Footpath 243/3/10 (Harwell) is -
    - (a) subject to a stopping up provision (2/S1) and an improvement provision (a listed highway), in Schedule 2 of the HIF 1 SRO; and
    - (b) is referenced within described plots of land within the HIF 2 CPO Schedule (2/3b, 2/3c, 2/3d, 2/3e); and
  - (2) Former Bridleway 243/3/10 (Harwell) is -
    - (a) subject to a stopping up provision (3/S1), an improvement provision (a listed highway), and included within the description of a stopped up private means of access with which it is co-existent (3/1), in Schedule 3 of the HIF 1 SRO;
    - (b) referenced in several described plots of the HIF 2 CPO Schedule either as a reference point of where land plots are situated or of plots within which it sits (plots 3/1a, 3/1b, 3/1c, 3/2a, 3/2b, 3/3, 3/4, 3/5, 3/6a, 3/6b, 3/6c, 3/6d, 3/6e, 3/6f, 3/6g, 3/6h, 3/6i, 3/7, 3/8a, 3/8b, 3/8c, 3/8d, 3/8e, 3/8f, 3/8g, 3/8h, 3/8i, 3/9, 3/10a, 3/10b, 3/10c, 3/10d, 3/10e, 3/10f, and 3/10g); and

- (c) used as a reference point in Article 3 (3) (a) (i) and (ii) 'the Classified Roads' definitions in the HIF 1 SRO and in Article 1. (1) (a) and (2) described highway improvements and highway construction purposes in the HIF 1 CPO.
- 4. These two rights of way have been numbered as such, since the Definitive Map and Statement of 21<sup>st</sup> February 2006 (see 2006 Definitive Map page at ANNEX B of this Note and which shows the two rights of way in the bottom right hand corner of the page) and until, following the creation of the Western Valley Parish
  - (a) Former Bridleway 243/1/10 (Harwell) became Bridleway 423/1/20 (Western Valley), with an effective date of 27 April 2024, when its number was changed on the Definitive Map and Statement.

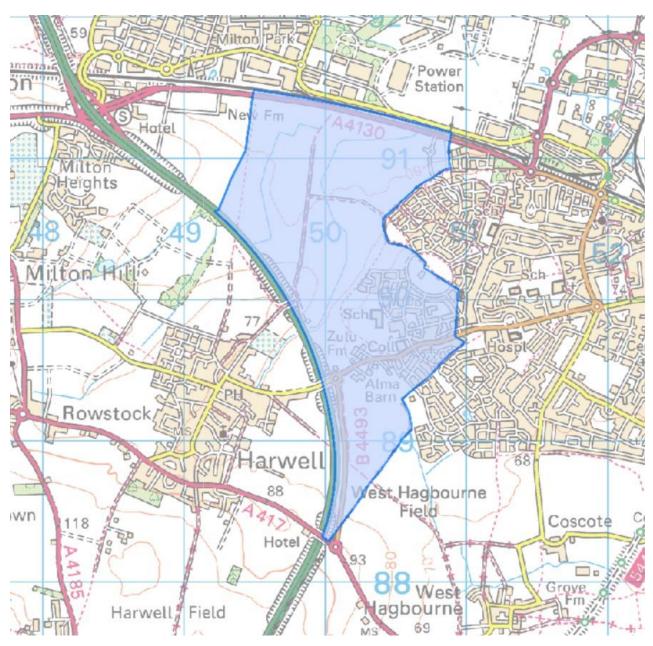
#### Bridleway 423/1/20 (Western Valley)

- 5. As a result of this change, the Council proposes to seek that the Secretary of State for Transport modify, in the event of him coming to a decision that the Orders should be confirmed, the HIF 1 SRO and HIF 1 CPO, in respect of those areas described in paragraph 3 (2) (a) (c) above, to substitute the Bridleway 243/1/10 (Harwell) reference with Bridleway 423/1/20 (Western Valley) which it has now become.
- 6. These modifications will be presented within the overall modifications, and which are to be presented at the Inquiries, which are to be requested by the Council be made to the Orders.

#### Footpath 243/3/10 (Harwell)

- 7. Footpath 243/3/10 (Harwell) is also understood will become subject of planned renumbering, resultant of the Western Valley Parish change [anticipated, but as yet unconfirmed, to be renumbered Footpath 423/3/10 (Western Valley)], but which may not yet have been carried through, until a diversion of the southern part of the route is dealt with associated with planned development.
- 8. The Council's rights of way officer who deals with the Definitive Map and Statement is presently on leave (until week commencing 30<sup>th</sup> April) and it unable to be confirmed if the renumbering has yet taken place, or when in the future it might do.
- 9. In respect of those areas described in paragraph 3 (1) (a) and (b) above, the Council will present such modifications as arise in respect of any Footpath renumbering, prior to the close of the Inquiries or, if arising later, directly to the Secretary of State for Transport. The Council will put forward a position statement on this Footpath renumbering before the Inquiries close.
- 10. In any event, the Orders as they would stand now and at any confirmation stage would still be considered to carry authority in relation to the provisions contained therein relating to these two rights of way, which are illustrated in their locations on the HIF 1 SRO Site Plans 2 and 3 and HIF 1 CPO Sheet 2 of 19 and 3 of 19, should any number change occur at a later date.
- 11. However, the Council considers that any renumbering of Footpath 243/3/10 (Harwell) should be reflected in Orders modifications and at any confirmation of them and undertakes to notify of any such number change as soon as it is certain.

### **ANNEX A**



**Civil Parish of Western Valley** 

# Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way for Oxfordshire Relevant Date: 21st February 2006 SHEET SU 49 SE Milton CP SHEET SU 49 SE For further information pleas: Oxfordshire County Council Environment and Economy Rights of Way Office Countryside Service Central Library Westgate Oxford OX1 1DJ Scale 1:10,000 KEY: SU 49 NW SU 49 NE SU 69 NW -- Public Bridleway Road Used as Public Path (To be redesigned a mile Our in, Rights of Way Act 2000, section 4' Restricted Dyway ) Byway Open to all Traffic OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL www.oxfordshire.gov.uk