

Legal Orders and Registers  
Community and Environmental Services  
Norfolk County Council  
County Hall, Martineau Lane  
Norwich NR1 2SG

June 7, 2022

I, Dr David Ormerod of Mill House, 7 Mill Lane, Swaffham, Norfolk PE37 7EU hereby apply for an order under section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 to modify the definitive map and statement for the County of Norfolk by (1) upgrading Beachamwell BR1 and part of FP4 to a restricted byway; (2) Restoring the old highway that formerly ran along the adjacent Devil's Dyke Ditch, at the side of Smeeth Wood, as a public footpath; and (3) restoring a crossing footpath at the southern end of the Devil's Dyke footpath.

I attach copies of the following documentary evidence in support of the application:

- Google Earth Pro Satellite View of the Full Transit of the three application highways, 2022.
- Google Earth Pro Satellite View of the Transit of Beachamwell BR1 and FP4 through Smeeth Wood, Beachamwell, 2022.
- Ordnance Survey composite 2<sup>nd</sup> Series 25-inch map of E&W, Norfolk Sheets 58.7 and 58.11, 1905
- Norfolk Definitive Map, Beachamwell BR1 and FP4, and of Devils Dyke, Beachamwell.
- Norfolk County Council Interactive Public Rights of Way website, 2022 (x2).
- Finance Act (1909-10) I.R.S. Duties on Land Values Map: south end of road now known as Beachamwell BR1. BR1 as "white road."
- Photograph (February 2021): View of the southern entrance of Beachamwell BR1, showing the broken gate and large concrete blocks.
- Photograph (February 2021): View of the mid section of beachamwell BR1, looking to the south.
- Photograph (February 2021): The winter conditions under foot just to the south of the two small ponds at Point B.
- Photograph (April 2022) looking eastward from Point C, with FP4 approaching.
- Photograph (April 2022) of the application road, looking to the north between Points C and D. Smeeth Wood is in the mid-distance.
- Photograph (February 2021): view of the unlocked gate at Point D.
- Photograph (April 2022) of the slip gate at Point J, the entry point for Beachamwell FP4 into the SE corner of the Smeeth Wood compound.
- Photograph (April 2022): view looking back southward over Point E, the intersection of Beachamwell BR1 and FP4 in the Smeeth Wood compound.

- Photograph (April 2022): View from Point F looking r towards the NW through the secondary woodland
- Photograph (February 2021) of the unlocked field gate at Point G. Note the bleached waymarker.
- Photograph (April 2022): View along the constricted field margin along the north side of Smeeth Wood towards Point H.
- Photograph (April 2022) over Point H at the corner of the field where the exit is obstructed by stock fencing. Note the dangerous twisted barbed-wire fence tie to the tree stump within the Devil's Dyke Ditch.
- Photograph (May 2021) of Point H from the Devils Dyke Ditch showing more details of the apparently long-lived obstruction.
- Photograph (May 2021) of the 'barbed wire fence obstruction in the fence line on Downham Road at Point I, and the transit of Beachamwell BR1 along the Devil's Dyke Ditch to Point H at the NW corner of Smeeth Wood.
- Photograph (April 2022): View to the south of the Devils Dyke Ditch former highway at its mid-point. Smeeth Wood is immediately to the east.
- Photograph (April 2022) of the south end of the Devils Dyke Ditch highway from the south end of the surviving Devil's Dyke.
- Photograph (April 2022) of Point K at the south end of Devil's Dyke Ditch highway, looking along the access trail towards Point D.
- Photograph (April 2022) from Point K looking to the west along the access trail from Point L on Downham Road.
- (Photograph) Map of the Parishes of Beechamwell and Shingham and Land in Barton (Bendish), part of the Estate of Patrick Blake Esq., 1766.
- Faden's Map of Norfolk, 1797.
- Andrew Macnair's Digitised, Geo-referenced, and Partially colored version (2005-22) of Faden's Map of Norfolk, 1797.
- Thomas Yeakall's O.S. Map of Kings Lynn (OSD 247), 1813.
- Ordnance Survey 1st series 1-inch map of England and Wales, Sheet 65, 1824.
- Bryant's Map of Norfolk, 1826.
- Beachamwell St. Mary and St. John Parish Tithe Map, 1841.
- Plan of Beachamwell Warren, the Property of John Motteux, 1842.
- Beachamwell Estate Map of C. Spencer Cowper, 1844.
- Plan of Beachamwell Estate, 1851 at Sale to John Fielding.
- Ordnance Survey 6-inch map of E&W, Norfolk Sheets 58SE and 58NE, 1884 (x2).
- Ordnance Survey Revised New Series 1-inch Map, Sheet 160, Swaffham (Hills), 1898.
- Bartholomew 1/2-inch maps of England and Wales, Sheet 15, Norfolk, 1903.
- Ordnance Survey Object Name Book, Norfolk Sheet 58SE, 1904.

- Ordnance Survey composite 6-inch map of E&W, Norfolk Sheets 58NE and 58SE, 1906, superimposed upon a modern ESRI tile map (x2).
- Finance Act (1909-10) I.R.S. Duties on Land Values Map (x2).
- Ordnance Survey 25-inch Map of E7W, Norfolk Sheets 58.11 and 58.15, 1928.
- Ministry of Food National Farm Survey Map, Norfolk Sheets 58.7, 58.11, and 58.15, 1943.
- Ordnance Survey New Popular Edition 1-inch map of E&W, Sheet 124, 1946.
- UEA Landscape History Department Grid Reference Website Map, 2022.
- RAF Aerial Photograph of the NW Corner of Beachamwell Warren, 1946.
- Ordnance Survey 1:25,000 Map, Norfolk Map, Sheet TF 70-B, 1955.
- N.C.C. Aerial Colour Photograph of the NW Corner of Beachamwell Warren, 1988.
- Evidence for Devil's Dyke Footpath

Sincerely Yours,



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Applicant's Reference: **EH 084**


## Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

### The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the County of Norfolk

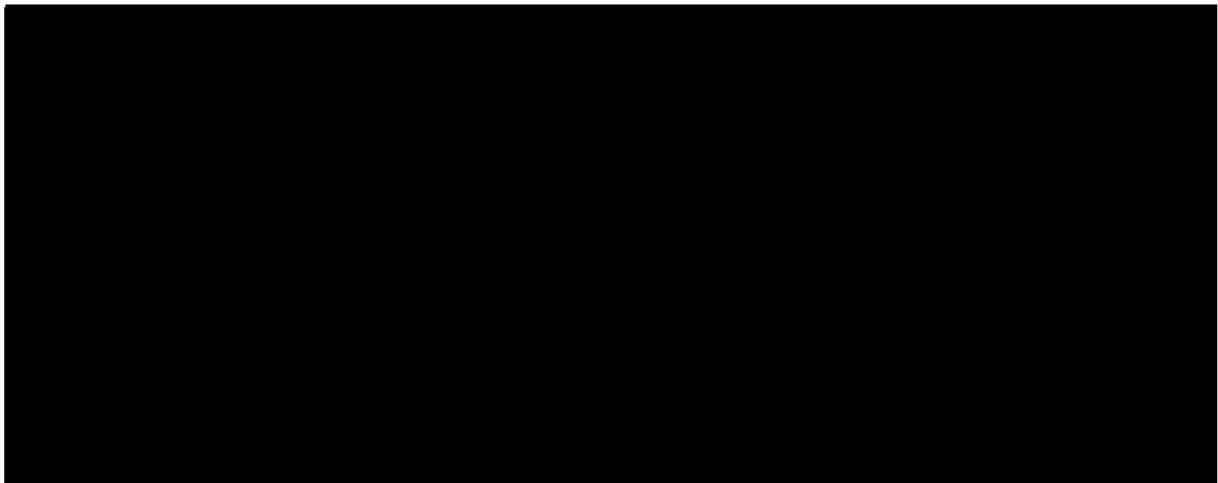
**Certificate of Service of Notice of Application for Modification Order:  
Proposal: (1) To register Beachamwell BR1 and part of Beachamwell  
FP4 as a restricted byway; (2) To register the adjacent, residual old  
Devil's Dyke highway on the west side of Smeeth Wood as a footpath;  
and (3) To register the crossing path on the south side of Smeeth Wood  
that formerly supported the Devil's Dyke highway as a footpath**

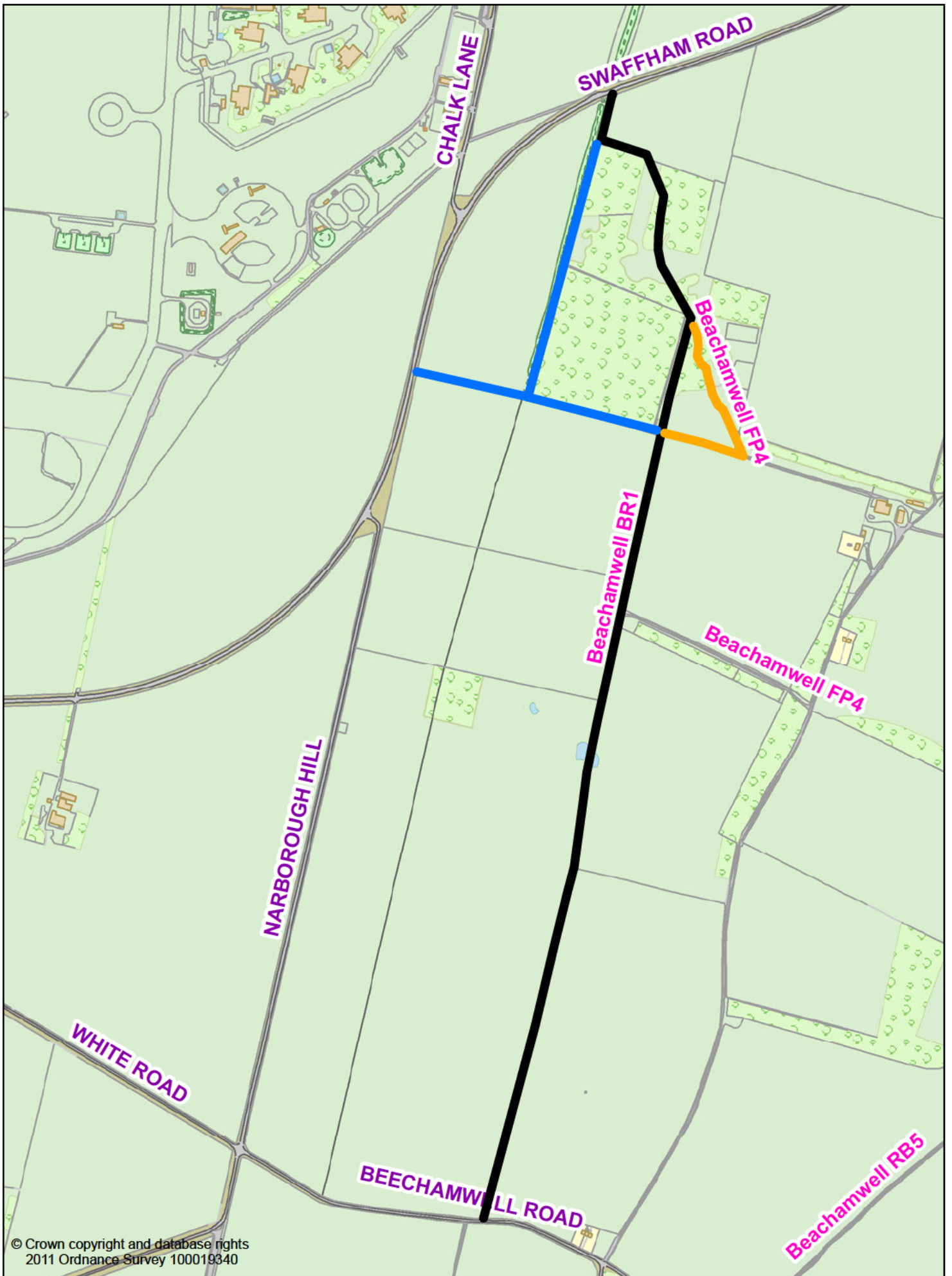
To: Norfolk County Council  
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I, Dr David Ormerod of Mill House, 7 Mill Lane, Swaffham PE37 7EU hereby certify  
that the requirements of paragraph 2 of Schedule 14 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act  
1981 have been complied with.

Dated: June 7, 2022	Signature: 
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- FP4 (PART) to be upgraded to a Restricted Byway
- BR1 to be upgraded to a Restricted Byway
- Routes to be added as Footpaths

**Norfolk** County Council  
Grid Ref: 574,346.2733 307,440.7704

## Beachamwell

Date created:  
01/09/2022

Scale:  
1:9,000

