

Public notice

**NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF AN ORDER
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980
ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2026
FOOTPATH 2 FINCHINGFIELD**

On 12 January 2026 Essex County Council confirmed the above order made under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980. The effect of the order as confirmed is to divert a part length of Footpath 2 Finchingfield of unknown width shown by a bold continuous line on the order map commencing from point A at grid reference 57082,23645 where it connects to Finchingfield Road running in a west south westerly direction along the southern side of an access drive between farm buildings for a total distance of approximately 207 metres to point B at grid reference 57062,23642 where it continues unaffected, to an alternative route 2 metres in width shown by a bold broken line on the order map commencing at point C at grid reference 57082,23646 where it connects to Finchingfield Road approximately 10 metres north of the aforementioned point A running in a west south westerly direction north of an access drive for a distance of approximately 50 metres to point D at grid reference 57077,23645 then running in a generally southerly direction between farm buildings for a further distance of approximately 38 metres to point E at grid reference 57076,23641 at the north east corner of a field then continuing in a west north westerly direction along the northern edge of a field south of a ditch line for a final distance of approximately 145 metres to the aforementioned point B where it continues unaffected.

Copies of the order and order map can be requested to be posted or viewed by emailing publicpathorders@essexhighways.org to arrange a suitable time to inspect the documents quoting the Order title. Documents can be made available for inspection from 8.30am-4.30pm Mon-Fri at Essex County Council, County Hall, E block main reception, Market Road, Chelmsford if required following the current social distancing restrictions. Copies of the order and order map are available on Essex Highways website at: <https://www.essexhighways.org/public-path-notice> and have also been sent to Braintree District Council and Finchingfield Parish Council.

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The alternative route comes into force on 9 February 2026, and the old route shall be stopped up with effect from 16 February 2026, but if a person aggrieved by the order wants to question its validity, or that of any provision contained in it, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the Highways Act 1980, as amended, or on the ground that any requirement of the Act, as amended, or of any regulation made under the Act has not been complied with in relation to the Order, he or she may, under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Act as applied by paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 to the Act, within 6 weeks from 22 January 2026 make an application to the High Court.

Dated 22 January 2026

County Hall, Market Road
Chelmsford, Essex
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