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NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF AN ORDER HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2025 FOOTPATHS 15 & 22 GOSFIELD

On 15 September 2025 Essex County Council confirmed the above order made under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980. The effect of the order as shown on the order maps as confirmed is to divert:

Footpath 15

A part length of Footpath 15 Gosfield of unknown width shown by a bold continuous line on the order map commencing from a point just north of the watercourse heading in a southerly direction across an existing footbridge over the watercourse and across the corner of an agricultural field before continuing in a southerly direction along a surfaced farm track towards Aylewards Farm then continuing in a south easterly then southerly direction through the farmyard. The path then continues in a south easterly then north easterly direction along the southern side of a field edge for a total distance of approximately 814 metres where it continues unaffected to an alternative route 2 metres in width shown as a bold broken line on the order map commencing from a point east of Aylewards Farm running in a north east direction following an uncultivated grass strip across the agricultural field and over the new footbridge for a total distance of approximately 446 metres where it continues unaffected.

Footpath 22

A part length of Footpath 22 Gosfield of unknown width shown by a bold continuous line on the order map commencing at its junction with Footpath 15 Gosfield running in a south easterly direction across an agricultural field for a total distance of approximately 530 metres where it continues unaffected to an alternative route 2 metres in width shown by a bold broken line on the order map commencing at the aforementioned point just north of the watercourse running in an easterly direction along a headland approximately 10 metres from the edge of the watercourse then continuing in a north easterly direction along the western and northern boundary of the sewage works for a total distance of approximately 590 metres 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-notices and have also been sent to Braintree District Council and Gosfield Parish Council.

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The alternative route comes into force on 13 October 2025, and the old route shall be stopped up with effect from 20 October 2025, 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 25 September 2025 make an application to the High Court.

Dated 25 September 2025

County Hall, Market Road Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1QH

