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<b>Contains Confidential or Exempt Information</b>	NO
<b>Title</b>	<b>PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY: 6-MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT</b>
<b>Responsible Officer(s)</b>	Ben Smith, Head of Highways and Transport
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<b>For Consideration By</b>	Rights of Way and Highway Licensing Panel
<b>Date to be Considered</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2016
<b>Implementation Date if Not Called In</b>	N/A
<b>Affected Wards</b>	All

#### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report updates the Panel on progress made with Public Rights of Way issues during the period from August 2015 to February 2016. The Progress Report is attached as Appendix 1. Progress Reports are submitted to the Rights of Way and Highway Licensing Panel in March and September each year, and are also circulated to all members of the borough's Local Access Forum.

#### **If recommendations are adopted, how will residents benefit?**

Benefits to residents and reasons why they will benefit	Dates by which residents can expect to notice a difference
Effective monitoring of the Council's performance in providing the Public Rights of Way service.	2016/17

#### **1. DETAILS OF RECOMMENDATION**

That the Panel notes the report.

#### **2. REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION(S) AND OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

To update the Panel on public rights of way matters

### 3. KEY IMPLICATIONS

Defined Outcomes	Unmet	Met	Exceeded	Significantly Exceeded	Date they should be delivered by
Panel updated	<i>n/a</i>	March 2016	<i>n/a</i>	<i>n/a</i>	2016/17

### 4. FINANCIAL DETAILS

#### Financial impact on the budget

None.

### 5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

### 6. VALUE FOR MONEY

Effective monitoring of the Council's Public Rights of Way Service ensures that good value for money is achieved in meeting agreed objectives.

### 7. SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT APPRAISAL

Effective management of the public rights of way network has a positive impact on sustainable transport by encouraging alternative forms of transport to the car.

### 8. RISK MANAGEMENT

None.

### 9. LINKS TO STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Effective management of the public rights of way network has a positive impact on healthy lifestyles by encouraging walking and cycling.

### 10. EQUALITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS AND COMMUNITY COHESION

The Progress Report refers to a number of initiatives aimed at improving access to the countryside for people with disabilities or restricted mobility, the elderly and people with young children or pushchairs.

### 11. STAFFING/WORKFORCE AND ACCOMMODATION IMPLICATIONS

None.

### 12. PROPERTY AND ASSETS

None.

### 13. ANY OTHER IMPLICATIONS

None.

### 14. CONSULTATION

The Progress Report includes the minutes of the December 2015 meeting of the RBWM Local Access Forum, a statutory consultative Forum established under the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000.

### 15. TIMETABLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

2016-17

### 16. APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Public Rights of Way: 6-monthly Progress Report August 2015 to February 2016.

### 17. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

None.

### 18. CONSULTATION

Name of consultee	Post held and Department	Date sent	Date received	See comments in paragraph:
<b>Internal</b>				
Cllr Maureen Hunt	Panel Chairman	12 Feb 2016	25 Feb 2016	Throughout report
Cllr Clive Bullock	Panel Vice-Chair	12 Feb 2016	25 Feb 2016	Throughout report
Ben Smith	Head of Highways and Transport	12 Feb 2016	-	-

### REPORT HISTORY

Decision type:	Urgency item?
Non-key decision	No

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