

## Regulatory Committee – 16 August 2018

### Public Statements

#### **Agenda Item 6 - Dorset County Council (Footpath 14 Wool at East Burton) Rail Crossing Extinguishment Order**

##### Statement from Ralph Holmes, Open Spaces Society

“Wool 14 is a well used footpath. It is important:

- For dog walkers and other local Wool residents, as via footpath 13 at its southern end, it directly connects with some of the main residential areas of Wool.
- As part of the local network of paths as at its northern end there is a ‘green lane’ to footpath 21 which goes to Bovington.





Any alternative route would be inconvenient, still use a level crossing and include East Burton Road which is narrow and in places has no footway. There have been at least five traffic accidents along this road since 2002, but none ever at the level crossing”.

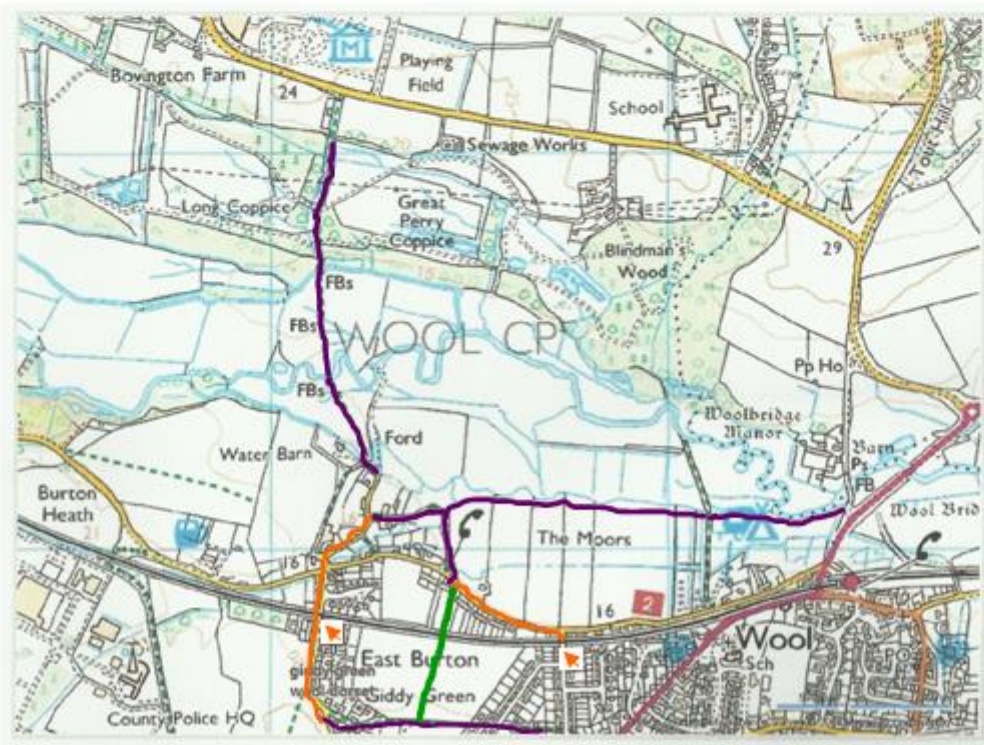
Statement from Madeleine Hemsley, Purbeck Footpath Secretary for Dorset RA on behalf of the Dorset Area Ramblers

“Our view is that the Extinguishment Order should not be sent to the Secretary of State for confirmation, and if sent, then Dorset County Council should not take a supporting stance in the proceedings

We object to the extinguishment of Wool FP14 on several grounds. Chiefly we believe it is needed by the public and dispute that the ‘Darkies’ crossing of the rail on FP 14 is a ‘dangerous’ crossing either per se or in relation to general road use. Visibility is very good in both directions from each side of the crossing. There is evidence of increasing use of FP14, which is also an important link in the local path network and not only is it of excellent amenity value but it provides safer passage for local walkers in comparison with local roads”.

**MAP SHOWING IMPORTANT LINKS BETWEEN WOOL FP14 AND OTHER PATHS USED BY THE PUBLIC**

-  Wool FP 14
-  Other Paths used by the public
-  Road use necessary if FP14 extinguished
-  Nearest rail crossing points to Darkies



## **Agenda Item 9 – Sand and Gravel Extraction at Hurn Quarry, Christchurch**

### Statements on behalf of the Applicant

Robbie Flower- Managing Director of H H & D E Drew Ltd (i.e. New Milton Sand & Ballast Co)

- Background and credentials of H H & D E Drew Ltd;
- The products produced and their importance to the local area; and
- The social, employment and economic benefits the quarry provides.

Steve Haughton- Employee at Hurn Court Quarry.

- The need for the extension to maintain employment and skills.

Nick Dunn – Planning advisor for H H & D E Drew Ltd.

- Summary of objections and the changes made to address them;
- Justification for Buffer Zones;
- Summary of consultee responses.
- Summary of planning considerations.