

**NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION & COMING INTO OPERATION  
OF PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION AND DEFINITIVE MAP  
AND STATEMENT MODIFICATION ORDER**

**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980  
WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

**THE SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL (FP 14 (PART) PARISH OF PONTESBURY  
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2022.**

On 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024, an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs confirmed with modifications the above-named Order made under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 and section 53A(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

The effect of the Order as confirmed is to **divert**

The full width of that part of Footpath 14 from point A on the Order Map (SJ 4084 0663) running along a grass surface in a general south easterly direction. It then continues through a gate and along a tarmac surface in a general ESE direction to a second gate. From there it continues along the tarmac access drive in the same direction, before turning to run in a general south easterly direction, to meet the County Road at point B on the Order Map (SJ 4104 0650). A distance of approximately 257m onto a line leaving point A on the Order Map (SJ 4084 0663) running in a general ESE direction, running across a footbridge over the Pontesford Brook, before continuing over a grass surface with open fencing alongside, for approximately 221m. It then turns to run in a general SSW direction before running through woodland for approximately 57m. From there it turns to run in a general SSE direction, through a gap and up a short slope with steps for approximately 22m to meet the county road at point C on the Order Map (SJ 4106 0652). A total distance of approximately 307m and a width of 2m throughout.

A copy of the Order and the Order Map have been placed and may be seen on the Council's website at <https://shropshire.gov.uk/outdoor-partnerships/countryside-access-and-public-rights-of-way/current-public-path-orders/> or obtained free of charge via [outdoor.recreation@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:outdoor.recreation@shropshire.gov.uk).

The Order became operative from 5<sup>th</sup> June 2024 but if a person aggrieved by the Order desires to question the validity thereof, or of any provision contained therein, on the grounds 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 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 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025 make an application to the High Court.

Dated 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025  
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