

STRATFIELD SAYE PARISH COUNCIL

APPENDIX A – Decisions made under the Scheme of Delegation

Planning Decisions made under the Scheme of Delegation

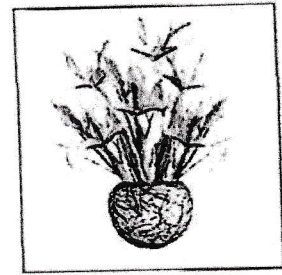
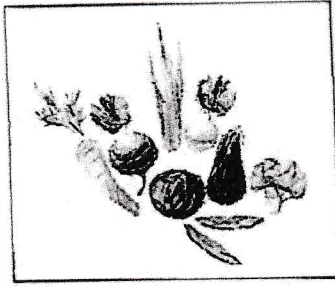
Date	Nothing to report
Full Council	
Proposal	
Interests declared	
Vote & Decision	

Payments made under the Scheme of Delegation

TO	ITEM	Approval/Paid	AMOUNT - £
Castle Water	Invoice	23.2.26 In favour (7) Against (0)	16.20
Tactical Ltd	Invoice	4.3.25 In favour (7) Against (0)	130.00
Castle Water	Invoice	27.3.26 In favour (7) Against (0)	12.44
SSE	Invoice	27.3.26 In favour (7) Against (0)	23.01
Tactical Ltd	Invoice	27.3.25 In favour (7) Against (0)	130.00
Castle Water	Invoice	14.4.26 In favour (7) Against (0)	13.10
HALC	Invoice	14.4.26 In favour (7) Against (0)	218

STRATFIELD SAYE PARISH COUNCIL

APPENDIX B – Gardening Competition 2026 Information



STRATFIELD SAYE BEST KEPT GARDEN COMPETITION 2026

The Parish Council is pleased to announce that the Stratfield Saye Best Kept Garden Competition is being run again this year after being re-instated in 2022 after an absence of 20 years. This competition is held every two years.

There will be two awards:-

The Purdue Trophy – will be awarded to the best kept garden where the occupier has maintained the garden themselves.

The Greenfields Trophy will be awarded to the best kept garden where the occupier has had assistance with the garden from other than immediate family.

The competition will be conducted in accordance with the following provisions:-

- 1. The Judge will be appointed by the Parish Council and will not be resident in the Parish. The Judge will be appointed on an annual basis.*
- 2. Should it not be possible to appoint a judge (for whatever reason) then a panel of three Parish Councillors will judge the gardens. This panel will be chosen at random from the full Council.*
- 3. There will be one visit – During June 2026 Competitors will be informed of the day of judging at least one week beforehand, subject to weather conditions*
- 4. Competitors must have been in occupation of the garden for at least a year on the date of the judging.*
- 5. The size of the garden is immaterial, providing that it is an appropriate setting for the house it serves*
- 6. The Judge will be given the freedom not to be too formal and, whilst they bear in mind RHS rules, they are not obliged to follow the marking arrangements to the letter of the law. This then allows gardens which do not have both vegetables and flowers to still enter and have a chance to do well.*
- 7. The decision of the judge will be communicated to the Parish Council who will declare the results at the Summer Fete on Saturday 4TH July 2026. No correspondence in respect of the awards will be entered into.*

STRATFIELD SAYE BEST KEPT GARDEN COMPETITION
2026 Entry Form

I wish to enter the above competition. I agree to abide by the provisions governing the competition.

Name: Mr/Mrs/Ms/Other

Address

.....

.....

Tel. No. (please complete so that we can inform you when judging will take place)

Email

I have been in occupation of the above address since (date)

The garden has been maintained by myself and my immediate family/ I have had assistance from other than myself and family (Please delete as appropriate)

I agree to photographs being taken to show at the trophy presentation

Signed

Please return this form when completed to:-

Nick Hall, Dollerys Farm, West End Green, Stratfield Saye, Reading. RG7 2DP

No later than 15th May 2026

Any queries to:- cllr.nick.hall@stratfieldsaye-pc.gov.uk

STRATFIELD SAYE PARISH COUNCIL

APPENDIX C – Information re Byways and Footpaths Application including a map.

From: Notices, Rights of Way row.notices@hants.gov.uk 
Subject: Application to record three restricted byways and two footpaths in Stratfield Saye (DMMO 1404)
Date: 31 March 2026 at 17:24
To: Notices, Rights of Way row.notices@hants.gov.uk



Dear Sir or Madam

Section 53, Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981
Application for a Map Modification Order to record three restricted byways and two footpaths in Stratfield Saye
Ref: DMMO 1404

You may be aware that in 2023 a representative of the Ramblers made an application to the County Council for a Definitive Map Modification Order to record the routes shown on the attached map as two footpaths and three restricted byways.

- Route 1 - Adding a Restricted Byway from Park Lane (known as “The Devil’s Highway”) to Wigmore Farm (Points A to G)
- Route 2 - Adding a Restricted Byway from Wigmore Farm to Green Lane (Points G to B)
- Route 3 - Adding a Restricted Byway from Green Lane to Fair Oak Lane (Points C to D)
- Route 4 - Adding a Footpath from Green Lane to Fair Oak Lane (by Keeps Corner Cottage) (Points E to F)
- Route 5 - Adding a Footpath from Wigmore Farm to Park Lane (known as “The Devil’s Highway”) (near Wigmore Copse) (Points G to H)

Details of the application can be found on the County Council’s Register of Applications by searching for the reference number listed above:

www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/definitivemap/registerofapplications. Further information about the DMMO process can be found on our website and in our application pack:

www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/definitivemap/modificationorders

In accordance with our Statement of Priorities, all DMMO applications we receive are placed on our waiting list and are investigated in date order. The above application is now approaching the top of the waiting list and is therefore likely to be picked up for investigation in the coming months. In advance of this, and to ensure the investigation process is as efficient as possible, we are contacting interested parties to request any information they may have regarding the application routes so that it can be considered when the investigation commences.

The above application is based on documentary evidence, with which the applicant seeks to demonstrate that a public right of way subsists. If the evidence indicates that such rights do subsist, and providing that they have not subsequently been extinguished by legal order, then the County Council will be under a statutory duty to record those rights on the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way. Additionally, during the course of an investigation other evidence may indicate the existence of other public rights that are not the subject of the

application. In this instance, it may be recommended that these additional routes are also added to the Definitive Map.

This application must be determined on the basis of evidence which shows whether or not a public right of way already exists. Under the legal framework for determining these matters, the suitability or desirability of a route cannot be considered, relevant though these issues are to the practical management of the network. Furthermore, concerns relating to safety, privacy, or ecology, however well-founded, cannot lawfully be considered when determining this application.

Once the application has been allocated to a Definitive Map Officer they will begin their investigation into the application. This is a comprehensive process that involves a thorough review of all relevant evidence and the preparation of a report recommending whether or not the application should be accepted. It is likely that a number of weeks (or months, depending on the complexity of the case) will elapse between the application being picked up for investigation and it being determined.

Following completion of the report, it will be considered either by the Regulatory Committee of the County Council, or by the Countryside Strategic Manager under delegated powers. If the decision is to be made by the Regulatory Committee, then we will write and let you know how you can register to speak at the meeting, should you wish to do so. If the decision is to be made by the Countryside Strategic Manager, then we will send you a formal notification of the outcome.

Once the decision has been made, the report will be published on the County Council's website. If the County Council decides to make a legal order to modify the Definitive Map, a formal consultation must then be carried out before the Order can be confirmed. At this stage you will have the opportunity to formally respond to the made Order and request copies of the evidence. If objections are received (and are not subsequently withdrawn) the Order must be referred to the Secretary of State for determination.

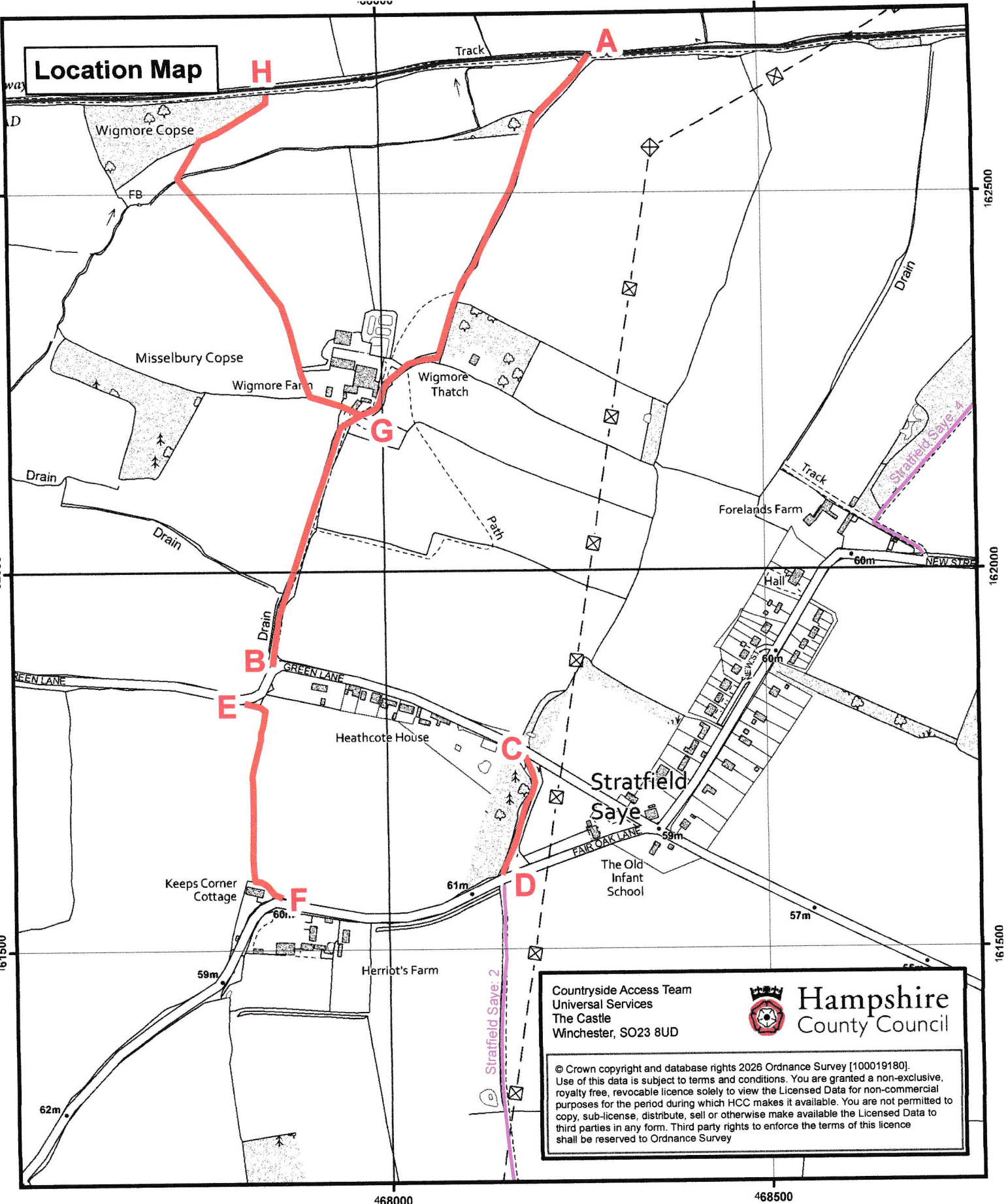
If you have any queries regarding this process, please do not hesitate to contact me. If I do not hear from you within six weeks of the date of this letter, I will assume that you have no evidence that you wish to provide.

Yours faithfully

Gemma Hallgarth
Administration Officer
Countryside Access Team


Hampshire County Council will process the information you provide in connection with the application to modify the definitive map of public rights of way and to carry out an investigation including contacting you about your evidence. It will not be used for any other purposes without your consent.

Please note that the information you provide may be published in a decision report. We may share your personal information with owners or occupiers (or their representatives), objectors, other Council departments or local authorities and other interested parties. It



Location Map

Countryside Access Team
 Universal Services
 The Castle
 Winchester, SO23 8UD



Hampshire
 County Council

© Crown copyright and database rights 2026 Ordnance Survey [100019180].
 Use of this data is subject to terms and conditions. You are granted a non-exclusive, royalty free, revocable licence solely to view the Licensed Data for non-commercial purposes for the period during which HCC makes it available. You are not permitted to copy, sub-license, distribute, sell or otherwise make available the Licensed Data to third parties in any form. Third party rights to enforce the terms of this licence shall be reserved to Ordnance Survey

Application to add three Restricted Byways and two Footpaths south of Stratford Saye parish boundary.

Stratford Saye

DMMO 1404

LEGEND

- Claimed route
- Public Footpath
- County Boundary

1:6,500