



## BUCKINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM

# Report

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### AGENDA ITEM 6

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**Title:** LAF members' report

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#### Promoted Routes along the Ridgeway

1. Members may recall the presentation from the Ridgeway Officer, Sarah Wright, in March 2019 regarding Item 5 on the agenda regarding Circular Routes along the Ridgeway and members fed back comments on these proposals during the meeting and separately to Sarah in writing. There was also an 'Action' to circulate the Ridgeway's working spreadsheet of promoted routes to members at the March 2019 meeting. Sarah has suggested this document, which lists 80 promoted routes, with officer's notes, is an internal working document not useful for LAF members. The Ridgeway Officer has instead recommended I circulate a list of the Buckinghamshire Promoted Routes alongside the Ridgeway (APPENDIX 4). The long-term plan is to remove the older, out-of-date leaflets from their website, while remainder will either stay unedited or work will be undertaken with partners to update and improve them. Sarah states, 'it is important the routes being promoted are monitored and maintained adequately'.

#### Events

2. Andrew Clark and Gavin Caspersz jointly worked on a project to deliver 2 disabled access gates in Hockeridge Wood, Ashley Green. A successful funding bid to Chesham Town Council provided funding to the Chiltern Society's Donate-a-Gate scheme, and with approval from the Royal Forestry Society, as landowner, the gates were installed early 2019 and launched at a ceremony on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 – see map and photos in APPENDIX 5 and 6.

#### Unitary Update

3. A Shadow Authority and Shadow Executive have now created with their own decision-making powers. Work continues organising a staff structure for the new authority, which will formally commence on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.

#### Next meeting dates (10am Mezz 1)

4. 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019; 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020; 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020; and 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020.