Under the Scheme of Delegation, the Service Director for Highway and Technical Services and the Definitive Map and Highway Searches Team Leader has authority to make and confirm Definitive Map Modification Orders under section 53(2) as a result of events listed under section 53(3) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981; if the Order is opposed it must be referred to the Secretary of State

# **LEGISLATION**

Section 53 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 and Section 31 Highways Act 1980

# OFFICER REQUESTING DECISION

**Helen Francis** 

## APPLICATION BACKGROUND

An application was received to modify the Definitive Map and Statement by adding various footpaths in the Parish of Hazlemere. The application was investigated by a consultant and a report was written by the consultant. The officer decision report refers to the consultant's findings when making a recommendation.

## **DECISION COMMENTS**

Having reviewed the background papers and the report, I agree with the recommendation.

## **DECISION**

The application is rejected on the grounds that there is insufficient evidence to show on the balance of probabilities that the route subsists or is reasonably alleged to subsist.

Name	Job Title	Signed	Date
Claire Hudson	Definitive Map and Highway		24 <sup>th</sup>
	Searches Team Leader		October
			2023