

CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT - CLLR PHILIP WHITEHEAD

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REFERENCE: HT-26-16

**PROPOSED APPLICATION TO STOP UP HIGHWAY ADJACENT TO 3
NEW COTTAGES, SHAFTESBURY ROAD, MERE**

Purpose of Report

To ask the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport to consider whether the Council should grant a request from Mrs Beck of 3 New Cottages to apply to the magistrates' court for an order stopping up highway adjacent to the property known as 3 New Cottages, Shaftesbury Road, Mere on the ground that the highway is unnecessary for public use or any other highway-related purpose. The area concerned is shown cross-hatched on the plan at **Appendix 1**.

Consultation

On 5 July 2016, Mere Town Council consented to the application being made and completed a consent form which is shown at **Appendix 2**.

The local member, Cllr George Jeans (Mere), has been consulted and made no objection.

Options Considered

The Cabinet Member may resolve to:

- (i) Give consent to the application
- (ii) Refuse to give consent to the application, in which case reasons should be given for doing so.

Reason for Decision

Officers consider that the highway concerned is unnecessary for public use or any other highway-related reason and accordingly the Council should apply to the court for a stopping-up order.

Decision made

I consider that the proposed application should be made and therefore approve adoption of the course of action outlined in paragraph 17(ii) of the report.

This decision was published on 4 October 2016 and will come into force on 12 October 2016.

The following supporting documents are attached:

HT-26-16 Report
HT-26-16 Appendices

Date:4 october 2016..... signed.....

Cllr Philip Whitehead
Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport