

Ms. Madgwick,

I would like to express my objection to the diversion of respective footpaths; Heywood 6,7 and 8 for the following reasons:

1) The proposed diversion leads walkers through an area that continually floods; making the ground completely saturated with the slightest rainfall and practically impassable.

2) I am not convinced that the drainage systems that will be installed will improve the situation. As informed by HPH at a recent Heywood parish council meeting, the saturation level would be no worse off. Which indicates that it won't be any better.

3) The desktop flood zone report said that this area is only subject to flooding 1 in a 100 years. Looking at the photographs attached I dread to think how badly the area would flood should the 100 year level be met.

Pictures taken around and looking at the proposed diversion of Heywood 6.





4) The order plan does not show the continuation of all highways affected by the order and this is unacceptable.

5) On the decision report point 8.4:

" It had only been possible to make an order under Section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 where planning permission was already granted under part III OF THE 1990 Act, however the amendment of the 1990 Act under the Growth and Infrastructure Act 2013, also allows an order to be made where an application of planning permission has been made under part III of the 1990 Act and where, if the application is granted, it would be necessary to divert or extinguish the footpaths in order to enable the development to continue. Any such order can not be confirmed until full planning permission has been granted."

Therefore if this type of order can only be granted when a FULL PLANNING PERMISSION has been granted, then why is it being pushed through at an OUTLINE Permission stage?

Surely once Full planning permission has been granted can you then decide where the footpath needs to be diverted through. Thus at this point in the process making the stopping up order.

I reserve my to add further reasons as I so wish should any other observations come to light.

Yours sincerely,

Daniel McGinn