

1. Question from Mr Peter McKay, Leominster
1.1 <i>Is it possible for the Council to place the Rural Road Map in public libraries and other public places where the Definitive Map is placed for public inspection?</i>
1.2 <i>Can the Council raise the associated List of Streets for rights of way and can the Council raise a map for these in the same way as the Right of Way Improvement Plan has done for bridleways?</i>
1.3 <i>Can the Council consider inspections regarding such rights of way on an annual basis</i>
1.4 <i>Can the Council consider whether or not the present Highway Maintenance Policies address the needs identified in the inspection reports and if need be review those policies and reports?</i>
1.5 <i>As confirmed by the CLA representation signing is important i.e. both users and landowners seek signs. It has been suggested that "Quite Lane" signs are the most appropriate. Does the Council consider the use of that sign or have any other suggestions as to what sign could be used?</i>
1.6 <i>Regarding the cost of signs it is suggested that once signed the annual inspection could be reduced to that Rights of Way and rely on public feedback and could in fact reduce costs. Would the Council agree with that?</i>
1.7 <i>Would Council agree that it is far simpler and cost effective to add missing "white road" links to the Rural Road Map than the Definitive Map and would Council agree that all highways whether or not also shown on the Definitive Map are required by legislation to be on the List of Streets?</i>
1.8 <i>Would Council agree that a "quick win" opportunity is available to add them to the Rural Road Map now, and those that ought also be on the Definitive Map at a later date?</i>
1.9 <i>Would Council undertake this task, or failing that set out the procedure enabling others to apply to Council for them to be added, especially since Council have confirmed that it simply requires a request to be made and they have been added by Steven Oates in this way?</i>
1.10 <i>Would Council advise what backlog applies to requests to add "white roads" to the Rural Road Map?</i>
1.11 <i>Some of these Rural Lanes are obstructed by ploughing, barbed wire, fallen trees, even ponds and have been so for several years, and when inspecting the inspection reports it is seen that regular annual inspection is recorded with nil defects. Can Council explain how this situation comes about?</i>
1.12 <i>The suggestion is that it is because only the metalled portion used by vehicular traffic is inspected and the part that we are interested in is not inspected i.e. the annual inspection is not carried out and the assurance given on your web page that all roads are inspecting annually is false. Should this be the reason would Council be prepared to modify the inspection report so that they make it clear whether or not the full length of recorded road has been inspected and to require full lengths to be</i>

inspected at least till signed as suggested above?

1.13 In the absence of availability of a List of Streets limited to these Rural Lanes an inspection report of 1999 listing of 104 miles of Keepsafe Roads was passed to you mid summer which you agreed to update. Could Council advise when this update will be completed and presented in a format that matches the earlier list with confirmation that it is the part of interest that has been inspected?

1.14 The Highways department is known to hold copies of large scale Ordnance Survey Maps coloured to show the rural roads having been shown these when questioning the rout of a road some years ago. Where may I inspect these and what should I be asking to see?