




7 January 2016

For the attention of Mr Ben Baugh

Dear Sir

Suggestion for Scrutiny by GO&SC

Further to my letter of 21 December may I draw attention to the written reply to my supplementary question raised at Full Council meeting on 18 December, namely that *“There is no specific project or planned work-stream to record additional highways of which the authority is aware but for which it is not the street authority. Should members of the public identify such routes they may submit an application, either for a definitive map modification order or one under the council’s highways records protocol, supported by suitable and sufficient evidence. All properly made applications will be prioritised and actioned accordingly. The “responsibility” set out in 4(5) of The Street Works (Registers, Notices, Directions and Designations) (England) Regulations 2007 is a continuous and on-going function and as such there is no date for its completion.”*

I consider this approach to warrant scrutiny, it adopting the highest cost with maximum use of resources approach to registering our highways of which the authority is aware but for which it is not the street authority, i.e., our unadopted roads, whereas self registering them supported by an evidence base setting out past actions and decisions as set out at <http://www.hrmg.talktalk.net/content/LSG.html> could be expected to be far more cost effective.

Do we really expect Hereford City Council to have to raise a highway record protocol supported by suitable and sufficient evidence to get Rockfield Road and others registered ? And if HC does not plan to do this by a set date, we could surely expect parishes and others to submit applications for them in a haphazard manner ?

Yours sincerely

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