

**Record of an officer decision**

<b>Decision title :</b>	<b>U71605, Holly Bush Lane, Much Birch, Herefordshire Temporary Road Closure Order 2020</b>
<b>Date of decision:</b>	1 May 2020
<b>Decision maker:</b>	Engineering Manager
<b>Authority for delegated decision:</b>	<p>Directorate scheme of delegation: updated 20 March 2020 Directorate: Economy and Place, section 75.</p> <p>To act on behalf of the council in respect of the legislation specified in the foregoing:</p> <p>Traffic Management Act 2004, Road Traffic Act 1988, Cycle Tracks Act 1984, Highways Act 1980, National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1948, New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Town Police Clauses Act 1847, Traffic Calming Act 1992 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981</p>
<b>Ward:</b>	Birch
<b>Consultation:</b>	A communication plan will be implemented to inform and liaise with key stakeholders affected by this closure and the resting diversion. This will include local residents, businesses, Parish Councils and local ward members
<b>Decision made:</b>	To authorise the making of a Temporary Road Closure Order served under section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to require a temporary closure on the U71605, Holly Bush Lane, Much Birch, at The Glebe, planned to be effective for a period of 3 days commencing on the 1st of July 2020.
<b>Reasons for decision:</b>	To enable Welsh Water to carry out new service connection works within the highway, for which purpose the Council, as highway authority, consider the closure of the road is required due to the likelihood of danger to highway users while the said works are being carried out. Road Plates will remain on site to allow access for local residents.
<b>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</b>	Localised disruption on highway network which will be mitigated using diversion route signage and closure period to be kept at shortest possible duration. Pedestrian access to premises affected by this closure will be maintained.
<b>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</b>	Not to introduce a temporary closure of the road; but there would then be operational difficulties in the said works being carried out, and/or would result in a longer period of disruption. In addition, there would be a greater risk to users of the highway and possible claims against the highway authority as a result.

<b>Details of any declarations of interest made:</b>	None
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I am an officer delegated to make the decision

Signed:

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