

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Section 257

Dartmoor National Park

Footpath No.16 (Ashburton)

Public Path Diversion Order 2021

Statement of Reasons

Linhay Hill Quarry is a limestone quarry located to the north-east of Ashburton. Planning permission has been granted (Planning Application Ref. 0322/16) to extend the quarry north eastwards. The extension area is separated from the existing quarry by a section of Alston Lane which runs along the north-eastern boundary of the existing quarry. Hence the extension will require the closure and removal of this section of Alston Lane.

Part of the route of the replacement road for Alston Lane will follow part of the route of the existing public footpath which runs in a generally north south direction behind the existing quarry. The affected part of the current footpath is between Point A on Balland Lane from where it follows a fenced path and then along a farm track to Point C on the order map.

As a result the footpath will need to be diverted to accommodate this replacement route (shown as D-E-C on the order map). The application is made under s 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, which provides for the diversion of a public right of way to allow a development that has planning consent to take place.