



Northumberland County Council

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Our ref: BM/020255
Enquiries to: Barbara McCabe
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Date: 27th January 2023

By Email:-
[REDACTED]

Dear Sir/Madam

**Highways Act 1980, Section 118A.
Former Wansbeck District (Public Footpath No 100) Extinguishment Order 2023**

The County Council made the above Order on 20th January 2023. In order to comply with regulations it is necessary to serve notice on you. Please find by way of service upon you formal notice to this effect together with a copy of the Order and map, and accompanying statement attached for your information.

Please note that any queries regarding the Order should be directed to [REDACTED]

Yours faithfully

Barbara McCabe
Legal Officer

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Barbara McCabe, Legal Officer, Legal Services
Chief Executives Directorate,
County Hall, Morpeth,
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Notice of Making of Rail Crossing Extinguishment Order

Highways Act 1980 Northumberland County Council

Former Wansbeck District (Public Footpath No 100) Extinguishment Order 2023

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The above Order was made on 20th January 2023, under Section 118A of the Highways Act 1980 (as amended by the Transport & Works Act 1992). The Order will extinguish the public footpath at Ashington as follows:-

Public Footpath No 100 (Former Wansbeck District)

From a point marked B, at the western end of the U6510 road, 20 metres south-west of number 1 Featherwood Drive, in a northerly direction for a distance of 35 metres, parallel to the railway line, then in a north-westerly direction for 35 metres, crossing the railway line, to a point marked A on Public Footpath No 19, 30 metres north of number 32 Chillingham Crescent.

A copy of the Order and the Order map may be seen free of charge at the Council Offices of Wansbeck Square, Station Road, Ashington, NE63 9XL and the offices of Legal Services, County Hall, Morpeth, NE61 2EF during normal working hours. Copies of the Order and map may be purchased. They can also be viewed online at <https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/About/Maps/Public-rights-of-way.aspx#ordersandnotices>.

Any representation or objection relating to the Order must be sent in writing to Neil Masson, Legal Services Senior Manager at the address shown below not later than 17th March 2023. Please state the grounds on which they are made.

If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any so made are withdrawn, the Northumberland County Council may confirm the Order as an unopposed Order. If the Order is sent to the Secretary of State for the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for confirmation any representations and objections which have not been withdrawn will be sent with the Order.

Enquiries should be directed to [REDACTED]

Dated this 3rd day of February 2023



Neil Masson
Senior Manager
Legal Services
Northumberland County Council
County Hall
Morpeth
NE61 2EF

**Statement to accompany the Public Path Extinguishment Order for
Public Footpath No 100**

(Former Wansbeck District)

Northumberland County Council has made this path extinguishment order to close Public Footpath No 100.

Network Rail has carried out a risk assessment of the level crossing and concluded that, once the Northumberland Line has reopened for passenger trains, this crossing will move into the 'high risk' category. Proposals for an underpass attracted a significant number of objections from local residents and path users, concerned about safety and anti-social behaviour. There is insufficient space available to construct a footbridge with ramped access.

The County Council is satisfied that, in the interests of public safety, it is necessary to close this public footpath / level crossing.

Existing alternative crossing points exist by means of a footbridge at Wansbeck Square, 400 metres to the north, or at the Green Lane level crossing, 340 metres to the south.

If there is anything relating to the making of the order that you wish to discuss in further detail, you can do so by contacting:

Tony Derbyshire, Area Countryside Officer, Northumberland County Council,
County Hall, Morpeth, NE61 2EF.

E-mail: tony.derbyshire@northumberland.gov.uk

The order will only come into effect after it has been confirmed, and further notices will be advertised to indicate when this has taken place. At this stage the making and advertising of the order provides an opportunity for objections and representations to be made by anyone wishing to do so.

Objections or representations should be made in writing to the Legal Services Manager, Northumberland County Council, County Hall, Morpeth, NE61 2EF no later than 17th March 2023.

This statement does not form part of the legal order.

Rail Crossing Extinguishment Order

Highways Act 1980, Section 118A

Northumberland County Council

**Former Wansbeck District (Public Footpath No 100)
Extinguishment Order 2023**

This Order is made by Northumberland County Council ("the Authority"), under Section 118A of the Highways Act 1980 ("the 1980 Act").

The footpath described in Paragraph 1 of this Order, in the Authority's area, crosses a railway otherwise than by a tunnel or a bridge.

It appears to the Authority that it is expedient, in the interests of the safety of members of the public using, or likely to use, the said footpath that it should be stopped up.

Ashington Town Council has been consulted as required by Section 120(2) of the 1980 Act.

BY THIS ORDER:

1. The public right of way over the land situated at Ashington and shown by a bold continuous line on the map contained in this Order and described in the Schedule to this Order shall be stopped up after 63 days from the date of confirmation of this Order.

Schedule

Description of site of existing path or way

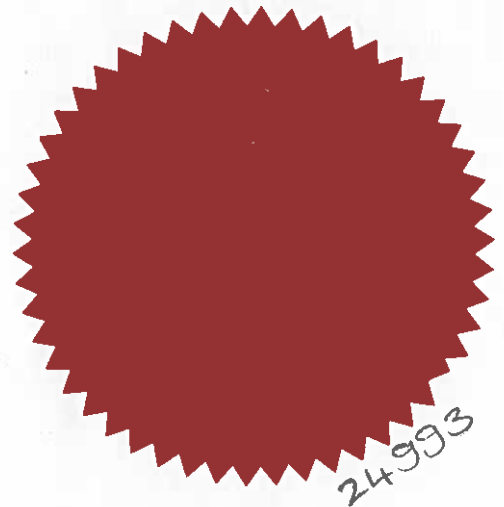
Public Footpath No 100 (Former Wansbeck District)

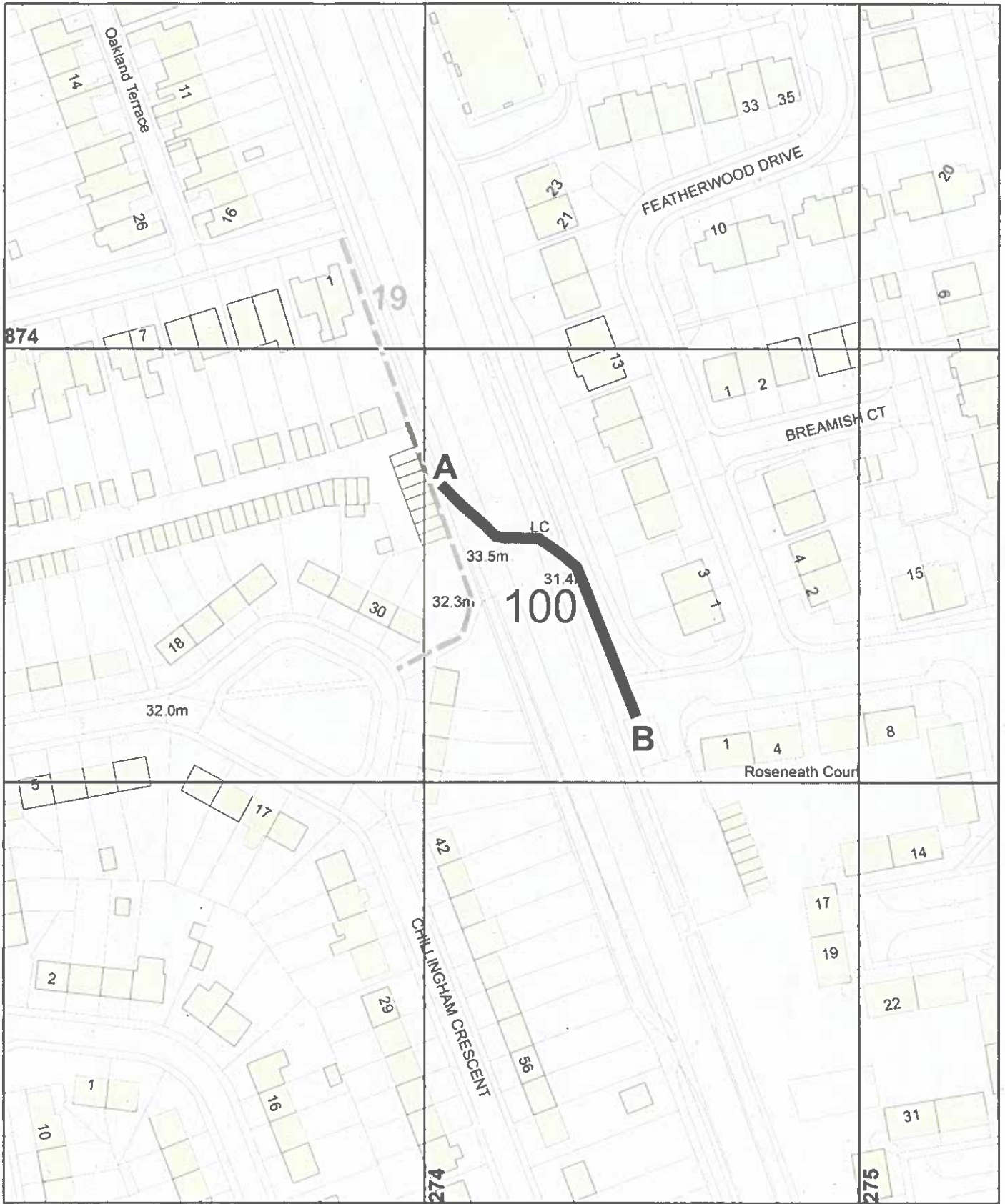
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The Common Seal of Northumberland County Council was hereunto affixed this day the *20th* of *January* 2023 in the presence of:-

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Duly Authorised Officer







Northumberland
 County Council

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 NE61 2EF
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Public Rights of Way

 Existing Public Footpath

 Section of Public Footpath to be closed under section 118a of the Highways Act 1980

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Former District(s)
 Wansbeck

Parish(es)
 N/A

Scale
 1:1250

Def. Map No.
 143

O.S. Map
 NZ 28 NE

Date
 July 2022

Northumberland County Council in exercise of their powers under section 118A of the 1980 Act, hereby confirm the foregoing Order:

Former Wansbeck District (Public Footpath No 100) Extinguishment Order 2023

The Common Seal of Northumberland County Council was hereunto affixed this day the of 20 in the presence of:

Duly Authorised Officer