

NOTES FROM MARY LIEZERS, RIGHTS OF WAY OFFICER ISSUED TO THE AGENTS OF PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF BARCROFT HALL ON 11TH. JULY 2008

Brief notes to accompany drawing number H153-2008

Barcroft Hall, South Petherton, Somerset.

Point A:

- Gates to be removed
- Pillars preferably removed. If retained they should either be moved off the footpath, to create an 8m gap, or lowered and an application for a modification order will be required to stop up (narrow) the lane at that point. There is no charge for an unchallenged modification order.
- Gravel and kerbstones (crossing the path), and uprighters should be removed. A Tarmac surface would be acceptable.
- Fingerpost to be reinstalled by Highway Authority.

Points A – D & A - L

- Application to divert the footpath along the current walked route. Usual cost is £1,500 - £2,000 (depending upon advertising costs) payable only once an order has been confirmed. Somerset County Council will carry out all consultations and try to address any objections before confirming the order. A neighbouring landowner has set a precedent for such a diversion being successful.
- A permissive agreement can be arranged until the diversion application has been considered. There is no charge for this agreement. This will protect the landowner from claims to create the permissive route to a public right of way.

Points G – H

- Some widening required in places. No trees need be removed.

This is by no means a comprehensive report of matters discussed on site on 30th June 2008, but does represent the work required to correct the public rights of way in this area.

Somerset County Council reiterates the offer to help with any completion of forms and advice regarding maintenance of the public rights of way on this estate.