

## **Rampion planned closure of Kings Lane and Moatfield Lanes.**

### **Conditions for continued access to be agreed prior to any works**

Shermanbury Parish Council have been made aware that should the DCO be granted Rampion propose to close a section of Kent Street. The latest plan, see Sheet 32 on the attached Access, Rights of way and Streets Plan, still shows that they plan to close the lane in two places while they cut an open trench to lay the cables. sheet 32 of the attached which shows closures at points 48a – 48b and 50a – 50b with no alternative access to properties.

Although Rampion representatives have assured us RED is cognisant of the need for private residents and business owners to access their land, homes and businesses during the construction period and that uncertainty from the lack of presently available detailed planning information on individual Private Means of Access (PMA) management during the construction, could cause concern. Comprehensive management strategies and construction design solutions for individual affected accesses will be developed during the detailed construction design phase after the DCO has been granted, in collaboration with affected stakeholders. engineering design providers and construction contractors the ten households who will effectively be cut off during this road closure would like conditions imposed on the granting of any DCO to ensure the road remains opens at all times.

For clarification the lane in question is a dead end which leads to ten households and additional farm land. The closure of this lane will result in all residents and livestock effectively being cutoff from their only means of access.

Although Rampion assure council any access restrictions or effect on individuals / businesses will be kept as short as possible even a minimum closure period will cutoff these residents and mean should emergency vehicle access be required this will not be available during the proposed long periods of closure indeed Rampion representatives have highlighted to council “Where a closure is required and no diversion is possible, the duration of this closure will be reduced as much as possible. As a guideline, the closure of a single-track road is anticipated to take approximately 2-3 days.”

In view of the impact on both residents and livestock we require conditions to be agreed with the residents prior to any works to ensure access is provided at all times.