

EBA has previously made representations that the proposed north to south green route via a new permissive path should be available to all user groups (including horse riders) and not just pedestrians and cyclists. The Applicant responded to this representation via Document reference EN010118/EX/8.1 with the following response 'There are no designated bridleways that the permissive path could connect to and therefore the Applicant is not seeking its designation as a bridleway. The permissive paths will be designed for pedestrians and cyclists'.

However, there are public roads closer to and through the site that can be used by WCH users now (walkers cyclists horse-riders) and to which any new permissive path will naturally link. EBA continues to consider therefore that the new permissive path (s) should be accessible to all, and is disappointed that the Applicant appears unwilling to improve accessibility for horse riders, which would be both straight forward and equitable. Given that the permissive path (s) will link to public roads that horse riders can currently use, we request that the Applicant reconsiders its response.