

27 June 2023 am: Issue Specific Hearing 5 (teams)

Comments made by Mrs Katherine Evans , Chairman of ELAF (Essex Local Access Forum)

Attending due to ELAF's interest in Gershwin Boulevard Bridge, Coleman's fisheries & main river crossings, specifically Rivenhall Brook, where ELAF has suggested an alternative proposal.

**Re: article 14 Boreham traffic mitigation measures**

I apologize, I couldn't find the page regarding to article 14 about the Boreham narrowing which was addressed just before the break. I'm speaking as Mrs. Katherine Evans, Chairman of the local access forum. At some point in the discussion when the Boreham Road narrowing was discussed, there was talk of an enhanced cycleway and footway provision. I'm not sure where we got to on that. And I'm not sure whether the cycleway provision was off carriage way or on carriage way. I just wanted to know whether that is being included somewhere.

*NH undertakes to respond in writing at deadline 7*

It may that there's a response from Essex County Council as well, because I've simply lost track of where that comment went to.

**Re: Witham FP 103 at Coleman's Fisheries**

Good afternoon, Mrs. Evans, chairman of the local access forum. We indicated at deadline 6 that we were very content with what Essex County Council have proposed. And I believe that National Highways have agreed that the footpath now goes from the fisheries, where the existing path is, along to the Whetmead Nature Reserve.

*National Highways (Mr Christopher Alves-Greenland) confirms that the change has been made by National Highways in the deadline 6 revised Streets, Rights of Way and Access plans which shows the fisheries footpath connecting with footpath adjacent to the River Brain [Witham FP101] which goes under the A12 providing the connectivity back into Witham. The revised plans show the new agreed route under the A12 using the Brain bridge rather than looping back to the proposed Braxted Lane bridge.*

**Re: Gershwin Boulevard Bridge and Witham FP 95**

*References made to the ExA unaccompanied site visit on 16 June and to National Highways deadline 6 Technical Note REP6-094. No comment made on behalf of ELAF as nothing specific to add.*

NOTE: Mrs Katherine Evans lost her Teams connection at the start of Agenda Item 6 and was not able to re-connect for the end of the ISH5 session.