

COUNCIL – TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024

QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

QUESTION FROM COUNCILLOR J LEGRYS TO THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER

Continued Closure of Right of Way between London Road and Stephenson Way Coalville

I asked for regular updates on the continued closure of a Right of Way between London Road and Stephenson Way Coalville at Full Council on the 20th June 2023 & 5th September 2023. Councillor Saffell responded that the case was complex, but he would keep me regularly updated on progress.

I am disappointed that I need to raise the issue again as no updating on progress has been forthcoming since September 2023.

When will the above Right of Way be re-opened to pedestrians and cyclists?

RESPONSE FROM THE RELEVANT PORTFOLIO HOLDER TO COUNCILLOR J LEGRYS

“As previously advised, this is a matter that is being dealt with by Leicestershire County Council and our officers have continued to liaise with colleagues at the Environment and Transport team at the County Council.

I am advised that there is still one wall that needs repairing at the northern end of the footpath and once this has been done, the heras fencing along this section of the footpath can be removed. I understand that the occupier of this property has engaged with a builder and it is anticipated the works will be carried out in the next four weeks.

Unfortunately, there are still properties on the southern section of the footpath between the children’s play area and London Road who have not carried out repairs to their walls. The County Council will continue to try and engage with occupiers who have not yet responded to the contact so far. As such, the County Council are still assessing their options for removing the danger so that the right of way can be reopened.

While I am still unable to give a specific date when the footpath will be totally reopened, progress is being made. I have asked officers to continue to liaise with the County Council and to keep you updated at your monthly Shadow Portfolio Holder briefings.”