

**WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

**THE EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (WEALDEN DISTRICT)  
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT**

**THE EAST SUSSEX (PUBLIC FOOTPATH WADHURST 79a, WADHURST 79b,  
WADHURST 79c, WADHURST 79d, WADHURST 80, WADHURST 81,  
WADHURST 82)  
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2023**

On 2 September 2022 East Sussex County Council made an Order for the above paths in Wadhurst, being 'THE EAST SUSSEX (PUBLIC FOOTPATH WADHURST 79a, WADHURST 79b, WADHURST 79c, WADHURST 79d, WADHURST 80, WADHURST 81, WADHURST 82) DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2022', however due to a drafting error in that Order it has been necessary to remake the Order.

Therefore, East Sussex County Council made the above-named 2023 Order on 28 July 2023. If confirmed as made, the Order will modify the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by adding public footpaths as follows:

A route comprising a series of seven public footpaths with an arbitrary centreline route, as detailed below, and as shown on the Order Plan between points B-D; D-E; E-F; F-G; A-D; C-E; F-H.

The public footpath commences from a point along existing public footpath Wadhurst 51, in the civil parish of Wadhurst, at point B, near the southern end of Oak Wood, at TQ 6294 3338.

From point B it continues in a generally south-easterly direction through woodland and a clearing for 150 metres, to point D near the western edge of Stonebridge Wood at TQ 6306 3329.

From point D, the footpath continues in a generally east south-easterly direction through Stonebridge Wood for 35 metres to point E, at TQ 6309 3327.

From point E the route continues in the generally east south-easterly direction through Stonebridge Wood for 115 metres, to point F, near the eastern edge of Stonebridge Wood, at TQ 6320 3323.

From point F, the route continues in a generally south-easterly direction for 125 metres through woodland with a clearing to join existing public footpath Wadhurst 45 at point G, at TQ 6328 3315.

From point A, at a point on existing public footpath Wadhurst 51, at TQ 6299 3329, the footpath continues in a generally easterly direction for 20 metres to meet a stream at TQ 6301 3328. The route continues over and beyond the stream in a generally east north-easterly direction for 45 metres to point D, at TQ 6306 3329.

From point C, at a point on existing public footpath Wadhurst 51, at TQ 6291 3346, the footpath continues in a generally easterly direction through Oak Wood, for 90 metres to TQ 6300 3345, then in a south-easterly direction through Oak Wood for 60 metres to TQ 6304 3340, and then in a south-south easterly direction through Oak Wood for 100 metres to near the edge of Stonebridge Wood at TQ

6307 3331, then continuing in the same south-south easterly through Stonebridge Wood for 35 metres, to point E, at 6309 3327.

From point F, at TQ 6320 3323, the footpath continues in a generally easterly direction through woodland for 60 metres to TQ 6326 3323, then continues in a generally east south-easterly direction through woodland for 75 metres to join existing public footpath Wadhurst 45 at point H, at TQ 6332 3320.

The width of the public footpath between will be 1.5 metres throughout.

The total length of the public footpath to be added is 910 metres.

A copy of the Order and the Order Map may be seen free of charge in Reception, East Sussex County Council, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1UE from 9am to 5pm Monday-Thursday and 9am-4.30pm on Fridays between 4 August 2023 and 20 September 2023. Copies of the Order and Order Plan can also be viewed at Wealden District Council, Vicarage Lane, Hailsham, East Sussex BN27 2AX between the hours of 8.30am and 5pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and 9.30am and 5pm on Wednesday during the same period. Copies of the Order and Order Plan can also be requested by emailing [definitive.map@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:definitive.map@eastsussex.gov.uk) quoting reference 'RWO 216' and online by going to <https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/leisure-tourism/discover-east-sussex/rights-of-way/definitive-map-statement/claiming-changing-public-right-of-way/register-definitive-map-modification-order-applications>, click on the link "Register of DMMO applications", and follow the instructions on our website to find the case's webpage where you will find the documentation. Should you have any problems viewing these documents, please email [definitive.map@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:definitive.map@eastsussex.gov.uk) for assistance.

Any representation or objection relating to the Order must be sent in writing to Rights of Way, East Sussex County Council, Communities, Economy and Transport, West Block B Floor, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes BN7 1UE or by emailing [definitive.map@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:definitive.map@eastsussex.gov.uk), quoting reference 'RWO 216' not later than 20 September 2023. Applicants are requested to state the grounds on which it is made.

If you have made any objections and representations to the 2022 Order these will be taken forward to the 2023 Order, however if you still want your objections/representations to stand, it is recommended that either you make objections/representations again to the 2023 Order and/or confirm if your earlier objections/representations should apply to the 2023 Order.

If no representations or objections are duly made to the Order, or if any so made are withdrawn, the East Sussex County Council, instead of submitting the Order to the Secretary of State may itself confirm the Order. If the Order is submitted to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, any representations or objections which have been duly made and not withdrawn will be sent with it.

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