

NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC PATH ORDER

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL (BENHALL FOOTPATH NO 26 (PART) AND FOOTPATH NO 27 (PART)) PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2026

On 21 April 2026 East Suffolk Council confirmed the above order made under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980.

The effect of the order as confirmed is to divert the entire width of that part of Benhall Public Footpath 26 commencing at Ordnance Survey grid reference (OSGR) TM38106054 and proceeding in a south easterly direction from its junction with Footpath 27 Benhall for a distance of approximately 119 metres to point B at OSGR TM38146043, to a new line running from OSGR TM38086048 approximately 65 metres south from point A at OSGR TM38106054 and proceeding in a generally south easterly direction along a natural surfaced path and then continuing on a boardwalk for a total distance of approximately 78 metres to point B at OSGR TM38146043; and to divert the entire width of that part of Benhall Public Footpath 27 commencing at point D at OSGR TM38076044 and proceeding in a south westerly then westerly direction for a distance of approximately 95 metres to point E at OSGR TM38006040, to a new line running from OSGR TM38076044 and proceeding in a south westerly direction along a natural, enclosed path for a distance of approximately 71 metres to point F at OSGR TM38016041 and continuing in a southerly direction for a distance of approximately 14 metres to point E at OSGR TM38006040 as shown on the order map.

A copy of the order and the order map and explanatory statement have been placed and may be seen free of charge at Saxmundham Library, Street Farm Road, Saxmundham, IP17 1AL between the hours of 09:30 and 17:30 Tuesday, 09:30 and 17:30 Wednesday, 09:30 and 17:30 Friday, 10:00 and 13:00 Saturday, and 10:00 and 15:00 Sunday. Copies of the confirmed order and map can be requested from the East Suffolk Council Rights of Way Delivery officer email: publicpathorders@eastsoffolk.gov.uk or by telephoning 01394 444508. They can also be viewed online at <http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/environment/rights-of-way/>.

The order comes into force on 20 June 2026 but if a person aggrieved by the order wants to question its validity, or that of any provision contained in it, on the ground that it is not within the powers of the Highways Act 1980, as amended, or on the ground that any requirement of the Act, as amended, or of any regulation made under the Act has not been complied with in relation to the order he or she may, under paragraph 2 of Schedule 2 to the Act as applied by paragraph 5 of Schedule 6 to the Act, within six weeks from 8 May 2026 make an application to the High Court.

Dated: 8 May 2026

C Bally
Chief Executive
East Suffolk Council

PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980, SECTION 119
EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL
(BENHALL FOOTPATH NO 26 (PART) AND FOOTPATH NO 27 (PART))
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2026

This order is made by East Suffolk Council ("the authority") under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 ("the 1980 Act") because it appears to the authority that in the interest of the owners of the land crossed by the footpath described in paragraph 1 of the order it is expedient that the line of the footpath should be diverted.

Mr J M Hotopf and Mrs R Hotopf have agreed to defray any compensation which becomes payable in consequence of the coming into force of the order, and any expenses which are incurred in bringing the new site of the footpath into a fit condition for use by the public.

Suffolk County Council has been consulted as required by section 120(2) of the 1980 Act and has consented to the making of the order.

BY THIS ORDER:

1. The public rights of way over the land situated at Benhall and shown by a bold continuous line on the map contained in this order and on the Definitive Map and described in part 1 of the schedule to this order shall be stopped up with effect from the date on which Suffolk County Council certifies that the work to bring the new sites of the footpaths described in paragraph 2 of this order into a fit condition for use by the public has been carried out. Certification shall not take place prior to the creation of the new routes described in paragraph 2 of this order.
2. There shall at the end of 60 days from the date of confirmation of this order be a public footpath over the land situated at Benhall described in part 2 of the schedule and shown by a bold broken line on the map contained in this order.

GIVEN under the common seal of East Suffolk Council this 20th day
of January 2026

THE COMMON SEAL OF)
EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL)
was hereunto affixed in the presence of:)



Authorised Officer R C MANTON-CORRIE
LICENSING MANAGER AND
HOUSING LEADS COORDINATOR

The foregoing Order is hereby confirmed by East Suffolk Council
as an unopposed Order

THE COMMON SEAL of EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL
was hereunto affixed this 20th day of APRIL 2026



Authorised Officer R C MANTON-CORRIE
HOUSING AND
LICENSING LEADS
COORDINATOR

SCHEDULE

Part 1

Description of Site of Existing Path

Benhall Public Footpath 26 (part) - The entire width of that part of Benhall Public Footpath 26 commencing at point A at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38106054 and proceeding in a south easterly direction from its junction with Footpath 27 Benhall for a distance of approximately 119 metres to point B at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38146043; this being the route shown between points A – B on the order map.

Benhall Public Footpath 27 (part) - The entire width of that part of Benhall Public Footpath 27 commencing at point D at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38076044 and proceeding in a south westerly then westerly direction for a distance of approximately 95 metres to point E at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38006040; this being the route shown between points D – E on the order map.

Part 2

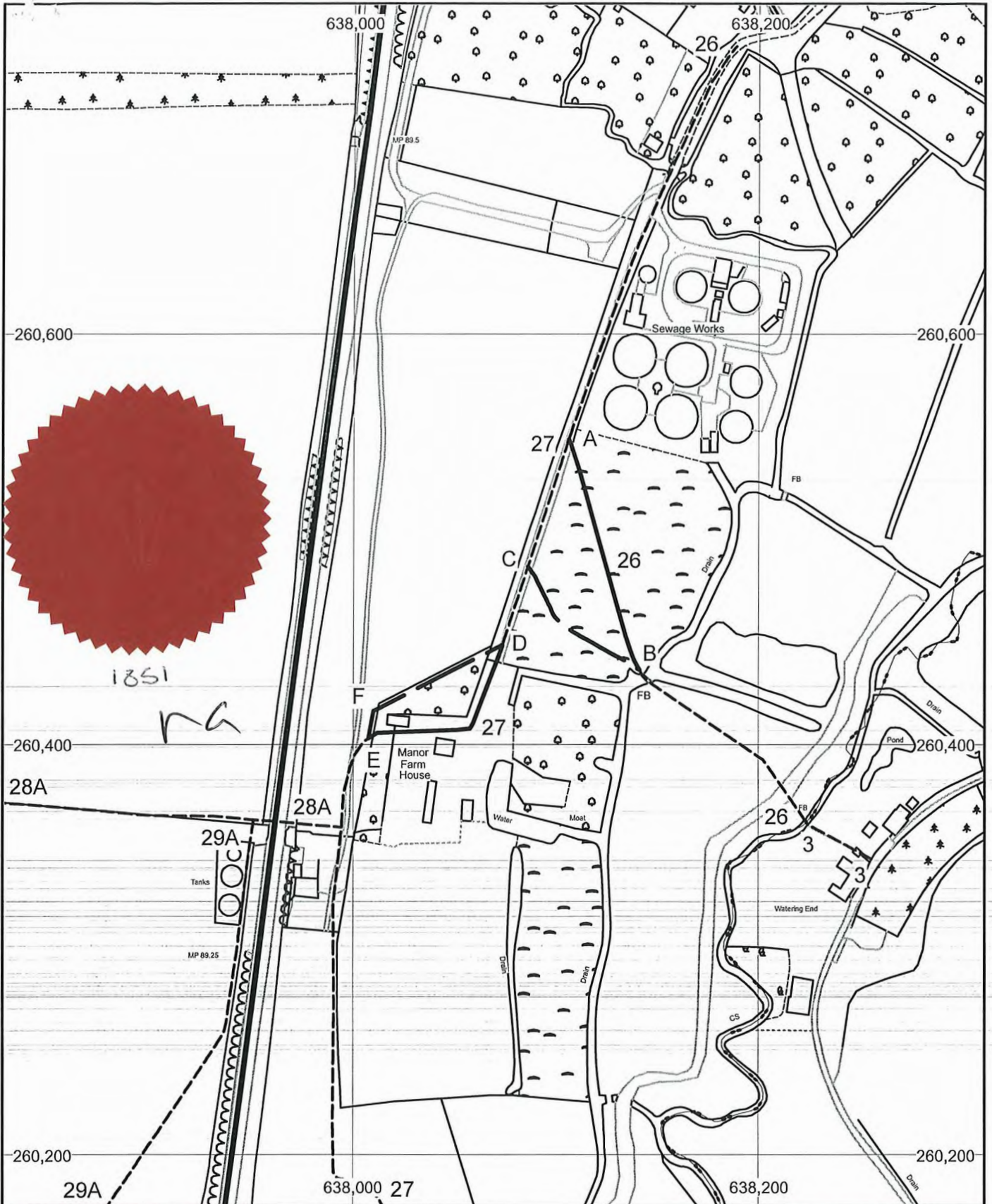
Description of Site of New Path

Benhall Public Footpath 26 (part) - Commencing at point C at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38086048 approximately 65 metres south from point A at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38106054 and proceeding in a generally south easterly direction along a natural surfaced path and then continuing on a boardwalk for a total distance of approximately 78 metres to point B at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38146043; this being the route shown between points C - B on the order map.

Width: 2 metres





Benhall Public Footpath 27 (part) - Commencing at point D at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38076044 and proceeding in a south westerly direction along a natural, enclosed path for a distance of approximately 71 metres to point F at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38016041 and continuing in a southerly direction for a distance of approximately 14 metres to point E at Ordnance Survey grid reference TM38006040 this being the route shown between points D – F – E on the order map.

Width: 2 metres



MAP REFERRED TO IN THE EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL (BENHALL FOOTPATH 26 (PART) AND FOOTPATH 27 (PART)) PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2025 – HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 SECTION 119



-  Footpaths to be diverted (A-B) (D-E)
-  Proposed Footpath (B-C) (D-F-E)
-  Unaffected Footpath
-  Definitive Map Parish Boundary



Scale: 1:2,500 at A4