

**NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER
SECTION 53 OF THE WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

**DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE PARISH OF BRANDON
IN THE DISTRICT OF WEST SUFFOLK**

**SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL (PARISH OF BRANDON)
MODIFICATION ORDER 2026**

The above order made on 5 January 2026 if confirmed as made, will modify the definitive map and statement for the area by adding a restricted byway from the B1106 Brandon to Bury Road at Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OSGR) 57999,28245 in a generally westerly direction for 1144 metres to a point at OSGR 57888,28250, as shown on the order map.

A copy of the order and the order map and an explanatory statement may be obtained by email or post free of charge by contacting David Last on tel: 01473 264770 or email: david.last@suffolk.gov.uk. They can also be viewed at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/public-rights-of-way-in-suffolk/making-changes-to-the-definitive-map-and-statement> or inspected at Brandon Library, Bury Road, Brandon, IP27 0BQ. Opening times: Monday 10.00-13.00 and 14.00-17.00; Tuesday 10.00-17.00; Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday 10.00-15.00; Thursday 10.00-17.30, and Friday 10.00-15.30.

Any representation or objection relating to the order must be sent in writing to the Definitive Map Manager, Rights of Way and Access, Suffolk Highways, Phoenix House, 3 Goddard Road, Ipswich IP1 5NP. Objections should be received not later than 3 March 2026, and applicants are requested to state the grounds on which they are made. Please bear in mind that such correspondence cannot be treated as confidential and may be inspected by any interested party. The Rights of Way and Access Privacy Notice can be viewed at: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/about/privacy-notice/rights-of-way-and-access-privacy-notice/>

If no representations or objections are duly made to the order, or to any part of it, or if any so made are withdrawn, Suffolk County Council, instead of submitting the order to the Secretary of State (or part of it if the authority has by notice to the Secretary of State so elected under paragraph 5 of Schedule 15 to the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981) may itself confirm the order (or that part of the order). If the order is submitted to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs in whole or in part, any representations or objections which have been duly made and not withdrawn will be sent with it.

Dated: 20 January 2026



Nigel Inniss

Monitoring Officer and Assistant Director Governance, Legal & Assurance, Suffolk County Council, Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 1BX

THIS IS AN EXPLANATORY STATEMENT AND DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE ORDER

**WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER**

Public footpaths, bridleways, restricted byways and byways open to all traffic are recorded on definitive maps and statements. These maps and statements provide conclusive legal evidence of the existence of public rights. Suffolk County Council is responsible for the definitive map and statement and has a duty to amend them when evidence suggests that they are inaccurate or incomplete. Such amendments are made by means of modification orders under section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. These orders do not come into effect until confirmed, and if there are any objections the County Council must refer the order and objections to the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

The County Council has made a modification order under Section 53 to add a restricted byway as detailed in the order. This order simply recognises the public rights that the authority believes exist. The order does not create any new public rights.

The evidence which the County Council has considered may be consulted free of charge at the following locations, or extract copies of most items can be emailed upon request to David Last (contact details below).

By prior appointment at the offices of the County Council, Phoenix House, Goddard Road, Ipswich, IP1 5NP:

- Formal Application with attachments dated 4 September 2021
- Ordnance Survey Old Series 1 inch to 1 mile map 1836
- 1945 Aerial Photograph
- Landowner's information form for Center Parcs dated 18 June 2025, completed by Sharon Sutton
- Elveden Estate landowner information form completed by Paul Dickinson on 8 July 2025
- Elveden Estate landowner information form completed by David Taylor on 2 July 2025
- Elveden Estate landowner information form completed by Michael Wiseman on 24 June 2025
- Elveden Estate landowner information form completed by N Mission on 1 July 2025
- Email from John Andrews dated 29 August 2025

By prior appointment at The Hold, Suffolk Archives, 131 Fore Street, Ipswich, IP33 2AR:

- Elveden Quarter Session Road Order 1802 ref: Q/SH 28
- Brandon Inclosure Award Map 1807 ref: Q/RI 8
- Brandon Inclosure Award 1810 ref: Q/RI 8
- Brandon Tithe Map 1838 ref: FDA/2/23/2
- Elveden Tithe Map and Apportionment 1841 ref: FDA/2/47/2/1
- Wangford Tithe Map 1843 ref: FDA/2/145/2

- Hodskinson's Map 1783
- Bryant's Map 1824/5
- Greenwood's Map 1825
- Map of Estate of Prince Duleep Singh circa. 1871
- 1910 Finance Act District Valuer's maps, Sheets 84,85 and 108
- 1910 Finance Act District Valuer's maps, Schedules IL501/1/20 and IL501/1/38
- Ordnance Survey 25-inch 1st and 2nd County Series Maps 1881 & 1903 (sheets: 12/12, 12/16, 13/9 & 13/13)
- Brandon Parish Survey Map circa 1950s ref: 3332/60
- Brandon Parish Survey File circa 1950s ref: 3319/2/2
- Lakenheath Parish Survey Map and File circa 1950s refs: 3332/69 & 33149/2/11 [Map could not be located]
- Wangford Parish Survey Map and File circa 1950s ref: 3332/73 & 3319/2/16
- 1979 Review Material

Objections or representations relating to the order must be made in writing by 3 March 2026 to the Definitive Map Manager, Suffolk Highways, Phoenix House, 3 Goddard Road, Ipswich, IP1 5NP. The Rights of Way and Access Privacy Notice can be viewed at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/about/privacy-notice/rights-of-way-and-access-privacy-notice/> To be relevant, objections or representations should relate to the question of the existence or status of rights of way. Other objections or representations (eg relating to privacy, security or amenity) are irrelevant to the evidential test.

The County Council is willing to discuss the concerns of those considering objecting or making representations relating to the order, and you may contact David Last at the above address, email at david.last@suffolk.gov.uk or by telephone on 01473 264770.

The right of objection to an order is a statutory right, but it should be exercised in a reasonable manner. The costs involved in dealing with objections to orders are normally awarded against objectors only in cases of unreasonable behaviour.

If there are no objections to the order, or if all objections are withdrawn, the County Council will confirm the order, and the definitive map and statement will then be modified. If there are any objections which are not withdrawn, the County Council must refer the order and objections to the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, who will appoint an independent Inspector to consider the order and hear the objections, normally by holding a public inquiry. The Inspector may confirm the order, with or without modifications, or may decide that the order should not be confirmed.

WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981

DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE PARISH OF BRANDON IN THE DISTRICT OF WEST SUFFOLK

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL (PARISH OF BRANDON) MODIFICATION ORDER 2026

This Order is made by Suffolk County Council under section 53(2)(b) and schedule 15 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 ("the Act"), because it appears to that authority that the Definitive Map and Statement for the parish of Brandon in the district of West Suffolk require modification in consequence of the occurrence of events specified in section 53(3)(c)(i) namely, that a restricted byway which is not shown in the map and statement subsists or is reasonably alleged to subsist over land in the area to which the map relates.

The authority has consulted with every local authority whose area includes the land to which the Order relates. The Suffolk County Council hereby order that:

1. For the purpose of this Order the relevant date is 1 January 2026.
2. The Definitive Map and Statement for the parish of Brandon in the district of West Suffolk shall be modified as described in Part 1 and Part 2 of the Schedule and shown on the map attached to the Order.
3. This Order shall take effect on the date it is confirmed and may be cited as the Suffolk County Council (Parish of Brandon) Modification Order 2026.

Date: 5th January 2026

The common seal of
SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL
was hereunto affixed
in the presence of:

JM

An authorised Officer of the Council



SCHEDULE

PART 1

Modification of Definitive Map

Description of restricted byway to be added:

There shall be added to the Definitive Map for the parish of Brandon a restricted byway from a point at Ordnance Survey grid reference 57999,28245 to a point at Ordnance Survey grid reference 57888,28250 as shown on the attached map (A-B).

PART 2

Modification of Definitive Statement

Particulars of restricted byway to be added:

There shall be added to the Definitive Statement for Brandon the following particulars:

Brandon Restricted Byway 25

Commencing at a junction with the B1106 Brandon to Bury Road at Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OSGR) 57999,28245 (point A) and proceeding in a generally westerly direction for 1,144 metres and terminating at OSGR 57888,28250 (point B) approximately 50 metres short of the parish boundary with Wangford.

Width: 9 metres

(This being the metric equivalent of the 30-foot minimum width which the Inclosure Consolidation Act 1801 set out for all roads).



Suffolk
County Council

Executive Director of Growth, Highways and Infrastructure
Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX

DRAWN BY: DL

DATE: 22/12/2025

File reference:

- Existing Bridleway
- V—V— Proposed Restricted Byway
- Definitive Map Parish Boundary

Scale: 1:5,000 at A4

PROPOSED RESTRICTED BYWAY 25 BRANDON

