Footpath Proposals Ridge Wood to Love Lane and Peg Hill

Please let us know your views by 31 March 2009 on proposals to divert, extinguish and create new sections of the Ridge Wood - Peg Hill footpaths.







The paths we all currently use along the slopes north of Ridge Woods are not the paths officially recorded as our legal rights of way.

We've spoken with the landowners and they would be willing to offer extra legal footpaths, to help sort things out, in exchange for removing old ones that are unusable. There will be no change to current routes that are usable.

As part of this we will also be able to extend the routes that offer the less mobile a chance to enjoy more of the woodland.

Please let us know your views on the proposals set out on page 3.

What is Being Proposed?

It's a little complicated.

Footpaths LYA 74, LYA 77 and LYA 78 (shown in **GREY**) are mostly unusable. LYA 78 goes straight across Barnhill hole; LYA 77 through the stockpiles and LYA 74 down a horrid steep slope to Greenways Road. We plan to swap the bits in **GREY** for more usable paths.

We propose to move LYA 77 to the path we've all been using for years along the top of the Ridge from point P-D: the **GREEN** route. We also propose to add a new link from Love Lane to the top route shown as R-S: the **GREEN** route.

A new lower path is proposed to run parallel, but at the bottom of the slope, from where the kissing gate comes out onto Greenways Road (point K) along towards Love Lane (point F): the **RED** route.

Inside Ridge Woods itself there is a footpath up on the slope that cannot currently be used (D-E). We plan to swap that route for J-E and links to J-K and J-C: the YELLOW route.

The footpath F-N is difficult to use. We propose diverting that to F-G. G-H is unusable and to get a better path up to the new **RED** route we propose moving G-H to M-L: the **BLUE** route. The **BLUE** route links Greenways Road to the **RED** route along the bottom of the slope.

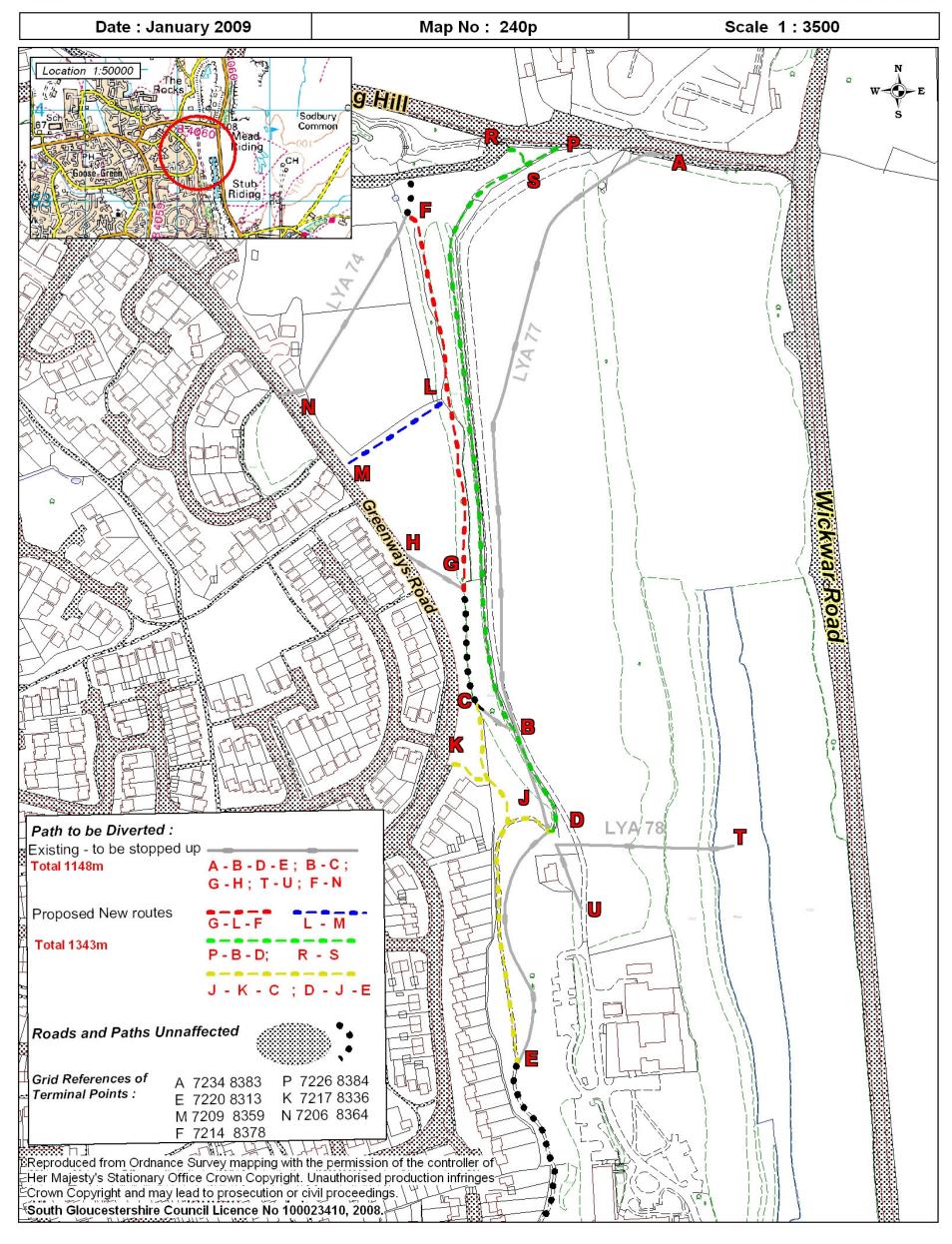
So, instead of two spurs H-G and F-N, both of which cannot be used, we'll have F-G as a path along the bottom of the slope and a route into it at each end and in the middle at M-L: the **BLUE** route.

The net result of these changes is to create about 1350m and stop up about 1225m of path, a net gain of 125m of path.

Plans setting out proposals for diverting, extinguishing and creating new sections of the Ridge Wood - Peg Hill footpaths.

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Please contact Yate Town Council to let us know what you think about these proposals.

- 1. What do you think of swapping the grey route to the green route?
- 2. What do you think of adding the red route?
- 3. What do you think of adding the yellow route?
- 4. What do you think of adding the blue route?
- 4. Do you have any other suggestions for ways to improve tracks along the hillside?

Your input is greatly valued and your comments will be carefully considered.

Please respond by 31 March 2009 by e-mail, telephone or post.



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