

**WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

**THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY FOR THE  
COUNTY OF LANCASHIRE**

**THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
BRIDLEWAY FROM BACK LANE TO MELLING MOOR, MELLING-WITH-WRAYTON  
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2025**

This Order is made by Lancashire County Council ("the authority") under Section 53(2)(b) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act, 1981 ("the Act") because it appears to that authority that The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the County of Lancashire require modification in consequence of the occurrence of an event specified in Sections 53(3)(c)(i) and (ii) namely the discovery by the Surveying Authority of evidence which (when considered with all other relevant evidence available to them) shows that a right of way 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, namely a bridleway and that a highway shown in the map and statement as a highway of a particular description, namely a footpath, ought to be there described as a highway of a different description namely a bridleway.

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

1. For the purposes of this Order, the "relevant date" is 5 February 2025.
2. The Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the County of Lancashire shall be modified as described in Part I and Part II 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 Lancashire County Council Bridleway from Back Lane to Melling Moor, Melling-with-Wrayton, Definitive Map Modification Order 2025.

Dated this 5<sup>TH</sup> Day of February 2025.

THE COMMON SEAL of the )  
Lancashire County Council )  
was hereunto affixed in the presence of )



**Authorised Signatory**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Weston".

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## SCHEDULE

### PART I

#### MODIFICATION OF THE DEFINITIVE MAP

##### DESCRIPTION OF PATH OR WAY TO BE UPGRADED

The route shown on the Order Map between points A-B-C as a bold green line.

Bridleway from a point at the junction of Back Lane, Melling-with-Wrayton opposite the entrance to Wrayton Old Hall (point A on the Order Map) running in a south south westerly direction along a tarmac roadway providing access to several residential properties. The route continues beyond the end of the tarmac (which leads directly to 'The Farmhouse') to then run along a stone surfaced/compact earth track descending gently downhill to pass through woodland and through a gateway (point B) to continue for a further 15 metres along a less well-defined grass and earth track to a junction of tracks (point C) in front of a gateway through which the continuation of Footpath 6 runs through to/from Melling Moor.

This section of the route to be upgraded to bridleway described above is currently recorded as public footpath FP0120006 and is 0.53 km long.

##### DESCRIPTION OF PATH OR WAY TO BE ADDED

The route shown on the Order Map between points C-D-E-F as a bold green line.

Bridleway from a point on Footpath FP0120006 (point C on the Order Map) running south east along a wide grassed strip ascending gently uphill through an area of woodland to pass through a gateway (point D) and continuing south east to the eastern end of the woodland where it turns south through a further gateway (point E). The route then continues in a south south westerly direction along a strip of grassland lined with trees and hedging which continues through to the open junction with Melling Moor.

This section of the route is currently not recorded on the Definitive Map and Statement and is 0.56 km long.

### PART II

#### MODIFICATION OF DEFINITIVE STATEMENT

##### VARIATION OF PARTICULARS OF PATHS OR WAYS

The Statement to be added for Melling-with-Wrayton 15 and modified for Melling-with-Wrayton 6 to read as follows:

##### **Melling-with-Wrayton 16:**

No. of path: "16"

Kind of path: "Bridleway"

Position: " Bridleway from a point at the junction of Back Lane, Wrayton (Grid Reference SD 6112 7225) running in a south south westerly direction along a tarmac roadway providing access to several residential properties and continuing beyond the end of the tarmac (which leads directly to 'The Farmhouse') to then run along a stone surfaced/compact earth track descending gently downhill to pass through woodland to a gateway (SD 6098 7177) and passing through gateway to continue for a further 15 metres along a less well-defined grass and earth track to junction with Footpath 6 (SD 6098 7176). The bridleway then continues south east along a wide grassed strip ascending gently uphill through woodland to pass through a gateway (SD 6108 7170) and continuing south east to the eastern end of the woodland where it turns south through a further gateway (SD 6116 7162). The route then continues in a south south westerly direction along a strip of grassland lined with trees and hedging which continues through to the open junction with Melling Moor U3638 at SD 6110 7130. All directions given are approximate."

Length: "1.09 km"

Width: "varying between 3 and 14 metres as shown on the first edition 25 inch Ordnance Survey map sheet XXVI.1 surveyed in 1890 and published in 1891."

Limitations: "Field gates at Grid Reference SD 6098 7177, SD 6108 7170 and SD 6116 7162."

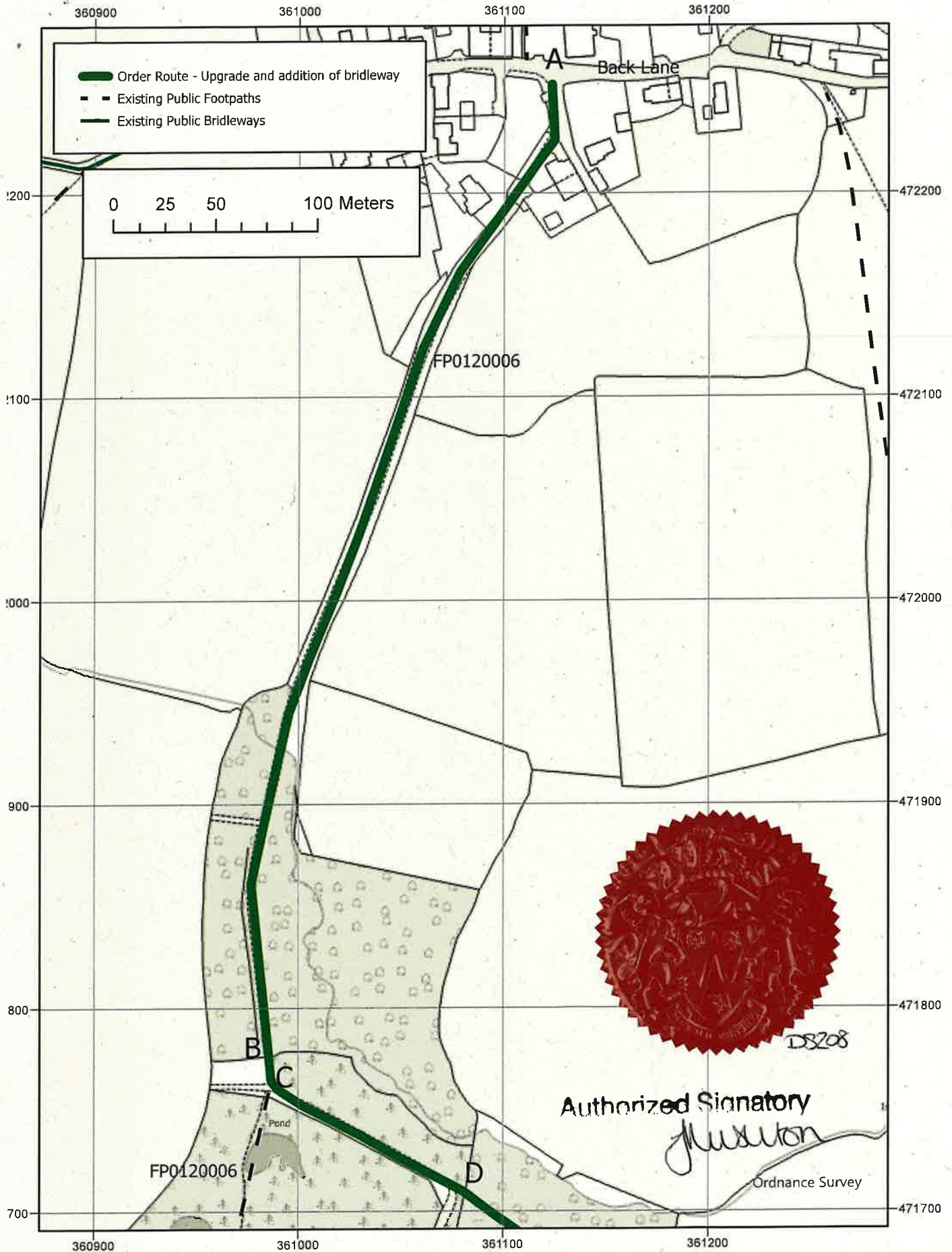
#### **Melling-with-Wrayton 6:**

No. of path: "6"

Kind of path: "Footpath"

Position: "From Unclassified County Road No. 2/53 at Melling Moor to junction with Bridleway 16 at Grid Reference SD 6098 7176."

Length: "0.50 km"



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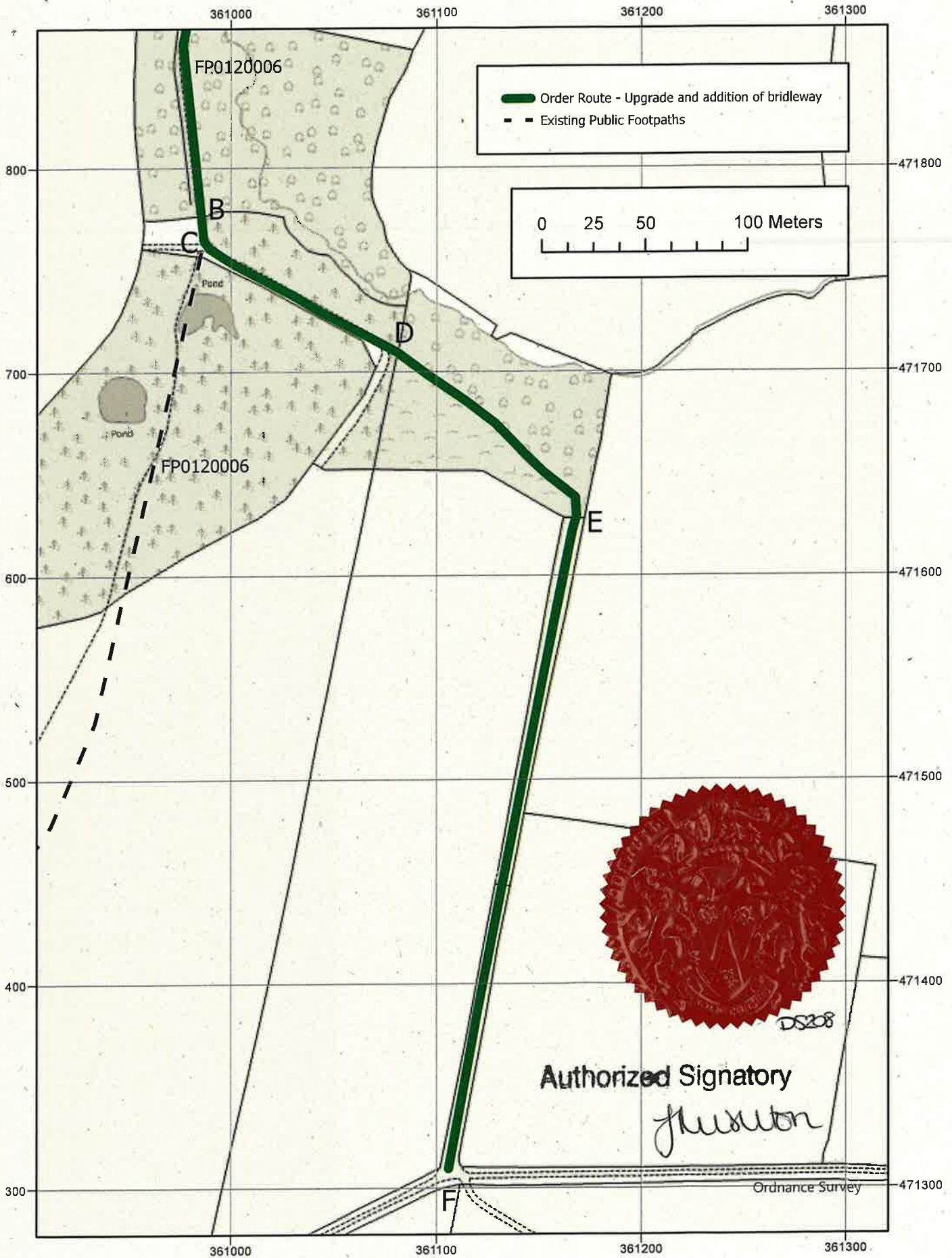
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