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Date: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Your ref:  
Our ref: PROW/SR620/1700

Dear Consultee

**Re: Highways Act 1980 - Section 119  
Proposed diversion of part of public footpath SR620 in the Town of Edenbridge  
in the District of Sevenoaks**

An application has been made by the landowners of *Mowshurst Cottage*, to divert part of public footpath SR620 primarily for reasons of privacy and security.

The path is currently the subject of a Definitive Map Modification Order amending its alignment where the recorded line ran through the garden of the property *Oaklands*. In addition, the historical evidence showed that the path should run through the garden of *Mowshurst Cottage*, rather than where it has always run on the ground, through the Town Council's car park. If the path were to be opened up on its legal alignment, this would significantly impact upon the privacy and security of the landowners. This proposal is to divert the path to where the public have always walked, through the car park situated to the north of the definitive line.

I enclose a plan (1:1250) showing the proposed diversion.

The length of path to be diverted is shown by a solid black line between points A-B. The proposed new route is shown by bold black dashes between points A-B.

The proposed route will have a width of 2 metres except for where it enters and exits the car park. There will be a gap of 1 metre in the fencing at point A and a limitation of a gate with an opening width of 1.2 metres at point B.

I would be grateful if you would complete the enclosed form (or email your comments), taking into consideration if you think the proposal is in the interest of the landowners, how convenient the new path is compared to the existing, and the effect it may have on public enjoyment.

I should be pleased to receive your views on the proposal by **18 August 2023**.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. McLauchlan', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Maria McLauchlan  
**Public Rights of Way Officer**

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**KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – PROW & ACCESS SERVICE  
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – DIVERSION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY**

**YOUR CONTACT DETAILS:**

Proposal to divert part of public footpath SR620 in the Town of Edenbridge

**Reference: PROW/SR620/1700**

This consultation expires on **18 August 2023**

I should be grateful if you would kindly complete the following and return it to me as soon as possible:

- I agree the proposed diversion is in the landowner's interest
- I do not agree because .....
- .....
- .....
  
- I agree the proposed diversion is not substantially less convenient to the public
- I do not agree because .....
- .....
- .....
  
- I agree the proposed diversion would not negatively impact upon public enjoyment of the route
- I do not agree because .....
- .....
- .....

**PLEASE RETURN TO:**

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