

**Definitive Map of Rights of Way for Leicestershire**
**Register of Definitive Map Modification Order Applications**

Short Description: <b>Upgrade a footpath to restricted byway - from Thorpe Arnold to Melton Spinney Road.</b>			
Application No.:	<b>M1253</b>	Legal Services Ref. No.:	<b>HTWMT/</b>
Application Status:	<b>Restricted Byway</b>		
Geographical Location			
Path No:	<b>E25</b>	Route name (if known):	
Settlement:	<b>Thorpe Arnold</b>		
Parish:	<b>Waltham and Thorpe Arnold</b>		
District/Borough:	<b>Melton Borough Council</b>		
Nearest Town/City:	<b>Melton Mowbray</b>		
Start Location:	<b>Thorpe Arnold</b>		
Start Grid Refs:	Landranger:	<b>SK 770 202</b>	Eastings,Northings: <b>477050,320270</b>
End Location:	<b>Melton Spinney Road</b>		
End Grid Refs:	Landranger:	<b>SK 767 211</b>	Eastings,Northings: <b>476730,321140</b>
Applicant's Name, Address & Postcode: <b>Leicestershire and Rutland Bridleways Association, C/o 123, Park Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 2HD</b>			
Date Received:	<b>18/06/2021</b>	Date Determined:*	
Application Stage(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Sch 14(2) Notice Served and Certified? Yes</li> <li>• Research</li> </ul>			
For Further Information			
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\* Note the **Determination Date** is the occasion on which Leicestershire County Council formally decided whether or not to make an order in response to this application.

**APPLICATION FOR DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER**

**WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981  
DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF LEICESTERSHIRE**

Please complete this form and return it together with Form PT636, and any evidence you wish to submit, to: Safe and Sustainable Travel Team, Environment and Transport Department, Leicestershire County Council, County Hall, Glenfield, Leicester, LE3 8RJ.

I/We Leics & Rutland Bridleways Association  
of c/o 123 Park Rd, Loughborough LE11 2HD

hereby apply for an Order under Section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, modifying the Definitive Map and Statement for the area by

~~\*adding a footpath/bridleway/byway open to all traffic~~

~~\*deleting a footpath/bridleway/byway open to all traffic~~

\*upgrading the footpath/bridleway E 25 at Thorpe Arnold

~~\*downgrading the bridleway/byway open to all traffic~~

~~\*varying the particulars in the Definitive Statement relating to the footpath/bridleway/byway open to all traffic~~

(\*delete as appropriate)

which runs Thorpe Arnold village at the A607  
from to  
to Relton Spinney Lane  
as shown on the attached plan.

I/We attach copies of the following documentary evidence (including statements of witnesses) in support of this application:

**List of Documents**

See attached list of 20 documents plus  
assessment of the evidence

Signed.....

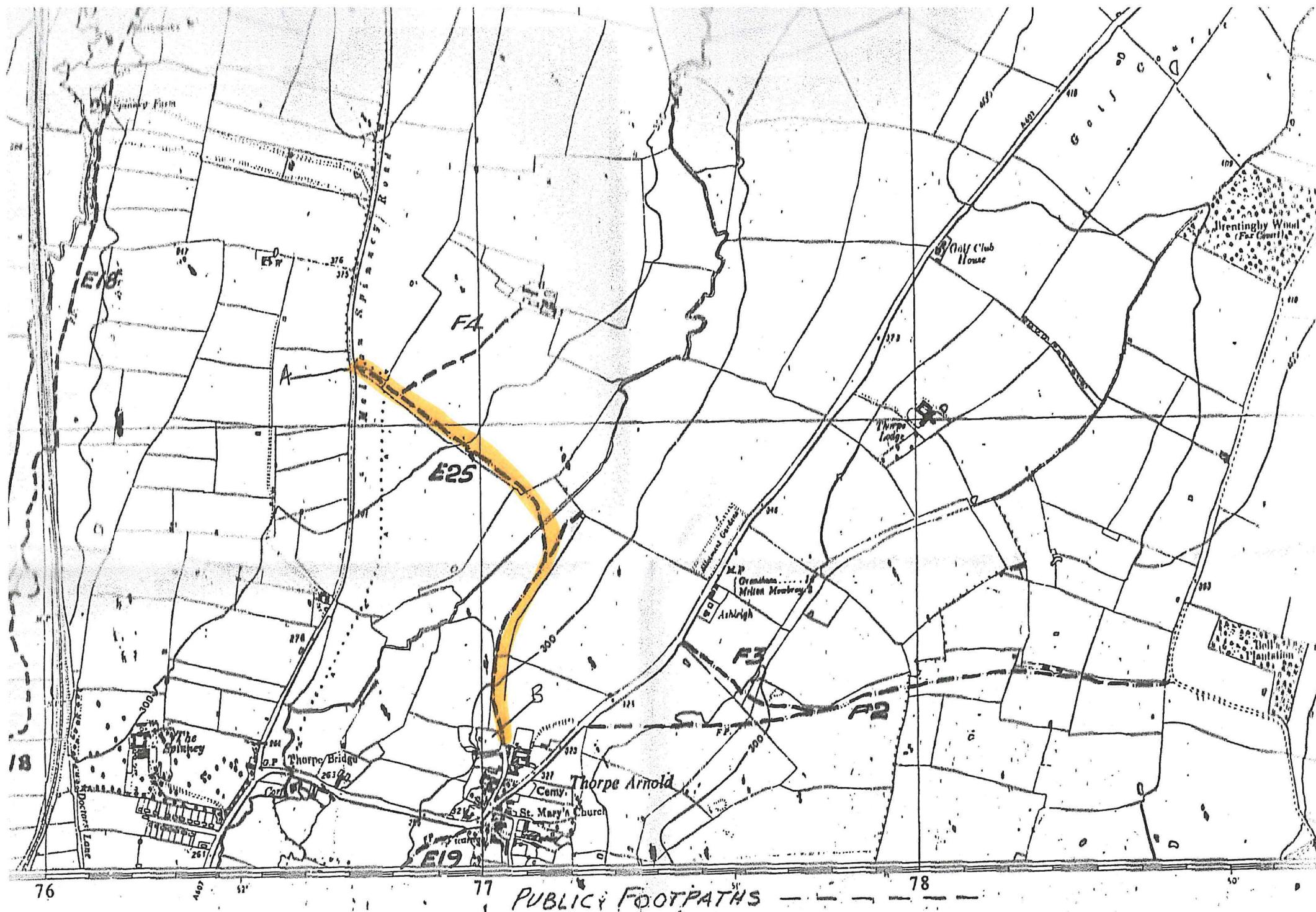
Dated

18.6.2021

**How we use your information**

Any information you provide will be used in accordance with current data protection regulations and other relevant legislation. The information will be used to consider your application for a Definitive Map Modification Order. A copy of your application (including your name and address) will be published online in order to meet statutory requirements. Other personal details (such as telephone numbers, email addresses and signatures) will be removed before publication.





### **E25 at Thorpe Arnold. List of documents submitted in support of a claim to upgrade the route from footpath to restricted byway.**

The documents submitted start with Prior's map of 1777 and continue through a series of commercial, tithe and Ordnance Survey (OS) maps and Leicestershire County Council highways records to a copy, made c.1992 of the maps held in Highways at County Hall showing the Unclassified County Roads. All these show E25 as a road. The only records that do not show it as a road are the Parish Returns for Melton UDC and Waltham on the Wolds parish in 1951, which show it as a footpath.

**It is the contention of LRBA and the BHS that the Parish Returns were made in error and that E25 should more properly be shown on the Definitive Map as a Restricted Byway.**

The documents are listed below in date order. Where a date was not available on the printed map, an assessment of the likely date was made from a combination of cover design and internal map evidence.

A key is provided where one was available. E25 is never depicted as anything less than a road.

The documents listed below, with information on the location of the original image, and pertinent comments.

LLRRO = County Record Office, Wigston. VA=Vicky Allen's personal collection of maps. LCC=County Hall Highways or PRoW Depts.

1. Prior's Map of 1777      New Survey sponsored by the Earl of Huntingdon. Shows E25 as a Cross Road      VA
2. Mr King's Map of 1806      New Survey sponsored by Duke of Rutland. E25 shown as Public Carriage Road      Digital copy provided by LLRRO
3. 1824 Image from Old Series OS 2 inches to mile, in *The Village Atlas*. Each map appeared 3 times to show change through 19<sup>th</sup> century to 1906      VA
4. 1824-1839 Cassini re-mastering of Old Series OS      VA
5. 1826 Greenwoods' Map. New survey for the 'commercial' market. Shows E25 as a Cross Road      Digital copy provided by LLRRO
6. 1848 Thorpe Arnold Tithe Map & Apportionment      Via BHS Dobbin on license from *The Genealogist*, copied from TNA. (Held at LLRRO under Ti/324/1)
7. 1882 OS survey, revised 1898 in *The Village Atlas* 2 inches to mile      VA
8. 1882 OS survey, revised 1906 in *The Village Atlas* 2 inches to mile      VA
9. 1883/4 survey, revised 1902 OS sheet      from land agents Snow & Astill maps donated via Leics LAF to      LLRRO
10. 1910 (?) Geographia (roads not numbered, distances between towns given)      VA
11. 1916 survey OS one inch with later corrections, **published 1947** (New Popular Edition)      VA
12. 1920 (?) Geographia (roads numbered but not lettered e g "607")      VA
13. 1924+ Bartholomew's (from magnetic variation info in map margin)      VA
14. 1929 Handover list & maps of unscheduled roads and bridges      LCC
15. 1936 OS one inch      Part of E25 running NW from brook shown as 'minor road'      Digital copy provided by LLRRO

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| 16. 1946+ Bartholomew's (from magnetic variation info in map margin)  | VA     |
| 17. 1950/1 Melton UDC Statement and Map for the creation of Definitive Map  | LCC    |
| 18. 1950/1 Waltham on the Wolds Parish Statement and Map (E25 is shown as a double-edged pecked track. It is NOT labelled as "FP")  | LCC    |
| 19. 1969 Bartholomew's Vale of Trent Map (shows M1 thru Leics)  | VA     |
| 20. 1992(?) <i>Pathfinder</i> E25 highlighted in 'mucky yellow' copied in Co. Hall from similar Highways Dept maps of 'unscheduled' roads<br>Other minor, possibly unsealed, roads are also shown in same way on the extract. Believe Karen Preston was Officer in charge then. | LCC/VA |