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## 1. Baseline Data

- 1) The following sections detail the baseline data for the public access and recreation assessment, the approach taken to collect this data and the sensitivity assigned to each receptor. The upfront sections describe the public access receptors and the latter sections describe the recreation receptors.

### 1.1 Public Rights of Way

- 2) The Public Rights of Way (PRoW) baseline data is based on desktop research, a site survey and consultation with local authorities and interest groups.

#### 1.1.1 Definitive Map

- 3) Lancashire County Council definitive map formed the basis of the PRoW data. Engagement was carried out with relevant stakeholders at each authority to obtain shapefiles of the PRoWs within the development area. From the shapefiles and review of the definitive maps a list of PRoWs that would be directly and indirectly affected by the proposed development was developed.

#### 1.1.2 Site Survey

- 4) A site survey was undertaken on the 22 October 2020 and 22 February 2021. The purpose of this site survey was to verify the directly and indirectly affected PRoWs, assess the condition and accessibility of these PRoWs.

#### 1.1.3 Desktop Research

- 5) The following sources were visited to inform the public access baseline data:
- Google Maps<sup>1</sup>
  - Maps & Related Information Online (MARIO) – Lancashire County Council's interactive mapping website<sup>2</sup>
  - Multi-Agency Geographic Information for the Countryside (MAGIC) web site. This data source provided information showing sensitive national designations that fall within the Proposed Marl Hill Section<sup>3</sup>
  - Sustrans<sup>4</sup>
  - Ordnance Survey Website<sup>5</sup>
  - AllTrails<sup>6</sup>
  - The Long Distance Walkers Association (LDWA)<sup>7</sup>
- 6) The baseline data for the PRoWs is shown on Figure 13.1.

#### 1.1.4 Definitive Public Rights of Way

- 7) Local authorities are obliged to maintain a definitive map, which is a legal record of the PRoWs. The different types of PRoWs present across the extent of the Proposed Marl Hill Section are detailed below<sup>8</sup> and in Table 1:
- Footpaths - for walking, running, mobility scooters or powered wheelchairs

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.google.com/maps>

<sup>2</sup> <http://mario.lancashire.gov.uk/agsmario/>

<sup>3</sup> <https://magic.defra.gov.uk/MagicMap.aspx>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/>

<sup>5</sup> <https://osmaps.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/ncn>

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.alltrails.com/>

<sup>7</sup> [https://ldwa.org.uk/ldp/members/search\\_by\\_path.php](https://ldwa.org.uk/ldp/members/search_by_path.php)

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.gov.uk/right-of-way-open-access-land/use-public-rights-of-way>

- Bridleways - for walking, horse riding, bicycles, mobility scooters or powered wheelchairs
- Restricted byways - for any transport without a motor and mobility scooters or powered wheelchairs
- Byways open to all traffic - for any kinds of transport, including cars (but they're mainly used by walkers, cyclists and horse riders)
- Some PRow are also open to horse riders, cyclists or motorists.

#### **1.1.5 Permissive, non-designated footpaths**

- 8) Permissive paths are access to private land if the landowner has agreed to let people use it, for example for walking, cycling or horse riding (sometimes known as giving 'permissive access')<sup>9</sup>.

### **1.2 Recreation**

- 9) The recreation baseline data is based on desktop research and the use of Addressbase software.
- 10) The following sources were visited to inform the recreation baseline data:
- Google Maps
  - Internet searches
  - Addressbase Software
  - Visit Lancashire website<sup>10</sup>
  - Waddington Village website<sup>11</sup>
  - Visit Clitheroe<sup>12</sup>
- 11) Recreational facilities have been identified in Table 2 including website details.
- 12) Figure 13.1 shows recreational facilities based on the AddressBase data, however, this may not represent the latest information as some facilities may have closed, new facilities opened or changed their names.

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<sup>9</sup> <https://www.gov.uk/right-of-way-open-access-land>

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.visitlancashire.com/>

<sup>11</sup> <https://waddington.website/>

<sup>12</sup> <http://www.visitclitheroe.co.uk/>

**Table 1: Public Rights of Way Baseline Data**

| PRoW Number | Description   | Photograph  | Sensitivity | Reason for sensitivity assigned to PRoW                      |
|-------------|---|---|-------------|--|
| 3-43-FP 24  | This PRoW connects West Bradford Road with Clitheroe Road in the centre of Waddington |  <p>The 'Photograph' column contains two images. The top image shows a wide, green grassy field with a faint path leading towards a row of houses in the distance under a clear blue sky. The bottom image shows a similar grassy field with a large, bare tree on the left and a few people walking in the distance on the right.</p> | Low         | Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant |


| PRoW Number | Description   | Photograph  | Sensitivity | Reason for sensitivity assigned to PRoW                      |
|-------------|---|---|-------------|--|
| 3-43-FP 23  | This PRoW connects West Bradford Road to footpath 3-44-FP 21 and 3-44-FP 23 |   | Low         | Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant |
| 3-43-FP 22  | This PRoW connects West Bradford Road with Clitheroe Road                   |  | Low         | Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant |

| PRoW Number | Description   | Photograph | Sensitivity | Reason for sensitivity assigned to PRoW                      |
|-------------|---|------------|-------------|--|
| 3-43-FP 21  | This PRoW connects Clitheroe Road with 3-44-FP 21 and 3-44-FP 22, allowing pedestrians to join Clitheroe Road at West Bradford, West Bradford Road near to the Ribble Way and West Bradford Road near Waddington and West Bradford C of E Primary School. |            | Low         | Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant |



| PRoW Number | Description  | Photograph  | Sensitivity | Reason for sensitivity assigned to PRoW                      |
|-------------|--|---|-------------|--|
| 3-44-FP 21  | This PRoW, connects onto 3-43-FP 21, 3-44-FP 22, and 3-44-FP 23 allowing users to connect between Clitheroe Road south of West Bradford, West Bradford Road and Clitheroe Road (B6478) |   | Low         | Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant |
| 3-44-FP 23  | This PRoW, connects onto 3-44-FP 22, and 3-44-FP 21 allowing users to connect between Clitheroe Road/West Bradford Road, and Waddington Road/West Bradford Road                        |  | Low         | Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant |

| PRoW Number | Description   | Photograph  | Sensitivity | Reason for sensitivity assigned to PRoW                             |
|-------------|---|---|-------------|---|
| 3-44-FP 22  | <p>This PRoW, connects onto 3-43-FP 21, 3-44-FP 22, and 3-44-FP 23 allowing users to connect between Clitheroe Road south of West Bradford, West Bradford Road and Clitheroe Road (B6478)</p> |   | Low         | <p>Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant</p> |
| 3-1-FP 2    | <p>This PRoW connects West Bradford Road to Waddington Road via 3-1-FP 1.<br/>                     This footpath also connects to the Ribble Valley Sculpture Trail.</p>                      |  | Low         | <p>This footpath forms part of the Ribble Way</p>                   |

| PRow Number | Description   | Photograph   | Sensitivity | Reason for sensitivity assigned to PRow                      |
|-------------|---|--|-------------|--|
|             |   |  |             |  |
| 3-44-FP 20  | This PRow connects between West Bradford Road and Ribble Lane | No photographs   | Low         | Possesses characteristics which are only locally significant |

**Table 2: Recreational Facilities**

| Receptor Name                        | Facility                 | Website  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Ribble Valley Sculpture Trail        | Recreational Trail       | <a href="https://www.ribblevalley.gov.uk/info/200304/parks_and_open_spaces/995/ribble_valley_sculpture_trail">https://www.ribblevalley.gov.uk/info/200304/parks_and_open_spaces/995/ribble_valley_sculpture_trail</a>  |
| Pendle Witch Trail                   | Recreational Trail       | <a href="https://www.visitlancashire.com/things-to-do/pendle-witch-trail-lancaster-to-pendle-p51630">https://www.visitlancashire.com/things-to-do/pendle-witch-trail-lancaster-to-pendle-p51630</a>  |
| Ribble Valley Villages               | Recreational Route       | <a href="https://www.visitlancashire.com/dbimgs/Ribble-Valley-Cycle-Map.pdf">https://www.visitlancashire.com/dbimgs/Ribble-Valley-Cycle-Map.pdf</a>  |
| Clitheroe to Downham                 | Recreational Route       | <a href="https://www.visitlancashire.com/dbimgs/Ribble-Valley-Cycle-Map.pdf">https://www.visitlancashire.com/dbimgs/Ribble-Valley-Cycle-Map.pdf</a>  |
| Waddow Hall- guide conference centre | Community and Recreation | <a href="https://www.visitlancashire.com/places-to-stay/waddow-hall-p51640">https://www.visitlancashire.com/places-to-stay/waddow-hall-p51640</a><br><a href="https://girlguidingactivitycentres.org.uk/centre/waddow-hall/">https://girlguidingactivitycentres.org.uk/centre/waddow-hall/</a> |
| Waddington Social & Bowling Club     | Community and Recreation | <a href="https://www.waddingtonclub.com/">https://www.waddingtonclub.com/</a>  |
| Waddington Methodist Church          |                          | <a href="https://www.clitheroemethodistcircuit.co.uk/waddingtonmethodistchurch.htm">https://www.clitheroemethodistcircuit.co.uk/waddingtonmethodistchurch.htm</a>  |
| Visit Lancashire Cycling             | Recreation               | <a href="https://www.visitlancashire.com/dbimgs/Ribble-Valley-Cycle-Map.pdf">https://www.visitlancashire.com/dbimgs/Ribble-Valley-Cycle-Map.pdf</a>  |
| Waddington Arms                      | Accommodation            | <a href="https://www.waddingtonarms.co.uk/">https://www.waddingtonarms.co.uk/</a>  |
| Higher Buck                          | Accommodation            | <a href="https://www.higherbuck.com/">https://www.higherbuck.com/</a>  |
| Lower Buck                           | Accommodation            | <a href="https://thelowerbuck.com/">https://thelowerbuck.com/</a>  |