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For the attention of Nicola Hopkins and Mair Hill

The Peak and Northern Footpaths Society objects to the proposed diversion of the Public Right of Way to the rear of former Queen Mary Terrace and Bridge Terrace Mitton Road Whalley BB7 9JS, ROW Whalley 51.

The diversion does not take account of ROW Circular 1/09 7.8, ie. *"7.8 In considering potential revisions to an existing right of way that are necessary to accommodate the planned development, but which are acceptable to the public, any alternative alignment should avoid the use of estate roads for the purpose wherever possible and preference should be given to the use of made up estate paths through landscaped or open space areas away from vehicular traffic"*.

1. Mitton Road is a very busy and noisy road. Walking on a footpath adjacent to this would greatly impair the enjoyment of users.
2. East of Calderstones Drive, the original FP51 has well-established trees alongside its west side (these are 'protected trees' according to a notice placed by Prospect Homes).
3. Also on the west side of FP51 is the pleasant view of a nearby large well-maintained green.
4. There are a few well-established trees near Mitton Road on the line of the proposed diversion. Presumably these would be felled to accommodate it.
5. There were grounds for FP51 to be created in the first place. Moving it to in front of Mitton Road would be quite pointless.

We would be pleased if you would acknowledge receipt of this objection.

Regards.

Brian Hamilton
Peak and Northern Footpaths Society
Consultation and Orders Section