Statutory Registers - Update

Report of the Interim Transport Strategy Manager

1. Introduction

- 1.1. As previously reported to the Local Access Forum the Council recognises its requirements to provide information with regards to:
 - DMMO ("Section 53") which can be found here on the Council website Applications made under section 53.
 - Section 31 Depositions which can be found here on the Council website protection-against-rights-of-way-being-established
 - PSPOs these are placed here on the Council website https://www.stockport.gov.uk/pspo
 ; and the
 - Section_118_and_119_register
- 1.2. The registers are for applications under section 53 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 for modification orders, register or declarations lodged with us by landowners under section 31(6) Highways Act 1980, and a register of town and village greens under the Commons Act 2006.
- 1.3. Section 121B Highways Act 1980 requires the Council also, to keep a register of applications made under sections 118ZA, 119ZA, 118C and 119C Highways Act 1980 (applications for public path extinguishment orders, public path diversion orders, school extinguishment orders and school diversion orders, respectively).

2. Current Process

2.1. Currently the process for keeping the information available to the public is that the Council has pages on the website for Public Rights of Way registers and where we have information available this is amended by the Public Rights of Way Officer and legal to be kept up to date. Work has been done to insure that this has been updated each month.

3. Future process

3.1. It has been recognised that the process of maintaining the different registers is unnecessarily reliant on manual operations by Legal, Public Rights of Way Officers and the staff maintaining the Council webpages. Therefore, a piece of work has been requested of the website development team to improve the process for updating the page. It remains the Public Rights of Way teams aspiration that a process will be developed where the details on the website for the council will be linked to a main spreadsheet recording the documents so that there is no need to make manual updates in several locations and that by making this accessible to both legal and the Public Rights of Way Officers the website will be updated in real time as work is done.

3.2. Unfortunately, the timescale for this work is unknown as we are in discussion with the relevant teams to understand the scope of the work and when it can be undertaken in their already busy work schedule. The need for this work is on the overall list of improvements the ICT team needs to make for the council website and we are in the process of organising meeting to discuss the potential ways to accomplish this.

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