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**Subject:** BW Cradle Lane to BW54 Broxhead, PATH ORDER and Cradle Lane, maintenance

Dear Mark,

When I heard HCC were intending to oppose its own DMMO, I emailed you on 17th December asking the following questions

1. Who makes the decision whether to contest the Order required by the Secretary of State? Is it the councillors or the officers?
2. Whoever it is, I should like to know as a taxpayer, why money is being wasted in Officer time, which will be considerable, in arguing a case when the Inspectorate have confirmed that they are happy with the evidence?
3. Why HCC is not primarily concerned with the public benefit of this Order in getting horse riders and other non-motorised users, off road past the gun club? We went to Judicial Review over this one and are likely to do so again in these circumstances.
4. The path is shown on the ROWIP. What is the point of identifying missing links in the bridleway network, getting the DMMO, only to have HCC argue against its own Order because they don't agree with the evidence?
5. In your opinion, should HCC be spending its slender resources on litigation rather than a real benefit to non-motorised users of the public sector? Why is no concern being shown for green issues and obesity issues which are both addressed by the addition of an off road route?

On another subject, at the beginning of December, you kindly asked a question at Council over the state of BOAT U29, Cradle Lane, Parish of Headley, which is now closed to all except walkers due to its unsafe condition. In fact I have not been able to have the pleasure of riding on it for many years due to the derelict state of the surface of the path, photos of which I have sent to you previously. You have said that you have not received a reply in writing so I am still waiting. I am sure that you understand my frustration in these matters and why I am now beginning to think that the LGO may be the only one who can help. This is why I am addressing this also to Judith Downing, HCC's Compliance Officer, who may be able to assist with the questions above. I shall then have shown, and I know you can confirm, that I have taken more than reasonable steps to get this problem resolved. This is a requirement before approaching the LGO. I am also very embarrassed to have to keep bothering you.

Kind Regards  
 Maureen  
 Cllr Comber