

Countryside and Rights of Way (CROW) Act 2000

NOTICE OF RELEVANT AUTHORITY DECISION FOLLOWING REVIEW/REASSESSMENT OF DIRECTION RESTRICTING CROW ACCESS/COASTAL ACCESS RIGHTS

Prepared by Natural England

Access authority: Doncaster Council
Relevant authority: Natural England
Local access forum: Doncaster Local Access Forum

Direction reference: As shown below

Land Parcel Name	Direction Reference	Details of restriction on original direction
Humberhead Peatlands (1)	2013056744	Restrict access to marked routes
Humberhead Peatlands (2)	2013127024	Restrict access to marked routes
Humberhead Peatlands (3)	2013127023	Restrict access to marked routes
Humberhead Peatlands (4)	2013127022	Restrict access to marked routes
Humberhead Peatlands (5)	2013127021	Restrict access to marked routes
Humberhead Peatlands (6)	2013127020	No public access
Humberhead Peatlands (7)	2013127015	Restrict access to marked routes
Humberhead Peatlands (8)	2013127014	Restrict access to marked routes
Humberhead Peatlands (9)	2013076841	Restrict access to marked routes

Natural England has now decided how to proceed following its review of the above mentioned long-term directions to restrict open access rights on this land. A consultation has been held between 24th February to 20th March with statutory consultees and the general public. We received feedback from a member of the public.

In summary the feedback was as follows:
Support for the current restricted access to remain in place.

Outcome of the review:

Natural England's decision is to leave the original direction unchanged in the way it was originally proposed and extend the end date for a further six years.

It is necessary to restrict CROW access to this extent between February and June each year, to ensure there is no disturbance to the cranes during their prospecting and breeding season.

Natural England's policy for long term directions is that they should not be given for a period of more than 6 years. Therefore the original direction will be varied to have an end date of 23 March 2025.

For long term directions

Where a direction restricts access indefinitely, for more than five years, for part of every year, or for part of at least six consecutive years, we have a statutory duty to review it within five years of the date of its issue.

Date review completed: 23 March 2019