Countryside and Rights of Way (CROW) Act 2000:

NOTICE OF RELEVANT AUTHORITY DECISION FOLLOWING CONSULTATION ON A PROPOSED LONG-TERM RESTRICTION OF CROW ACCESS RIGHTS

Prepared by Natural England

Case reference number:2018078720Name of site/land parcel:GodrevyGrid reference:SW585430

Access authority Cornwall Council

Local access forum: Cornwall Countryside Access Forum

Consultation began: 07/09/2018 **Consultation ended**: 07/10/2018

Date of direction notice: 22/10/2018

Natural England has now decided how to proceed following its consultation with regard to restricting Open Access land at Godrevy under section 26(3)(a) of CROW on this land. The relevant authority's decision is to give a direction excluding CROW access all year round in the way it originally proposed. This is because it is necessary to prevent disturbance to the Grey Seal population that use the site for resting and pupping.

During the public consultation we received nine responses, all of which were supportive of the original proposal. A tenth response was received outside of the consultation period, but this was only asking for clarification of the area proposed to be restricted. Therefore, no objections or suggested amendments to the original proposal has been received as a result of the consultation.

A copy of the direction is enclosed for your information. Details will appear on the relevant map of access land on the Open Access website at www.openaccess.naturalengland.org.uk.

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 are obliged to review it within five years of the date of issue.