



CONSULTATION OUTCOME REPORT
COUNTRYSIDE AND RIGHTS OF WAY (CROW) ACT 2000
PROPOSAL FOR A LONG-TERM DIRECTION RESTRICTING ACCESS
APRIL 2022

Land Parcel Name:	Direction Ref.
Silence & Old Grove Mines, Great Hucklow	2018088745

1) Introduction

The Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA) has completed its consultation on the proposal for a long-term direction to restrict CROW access on this land. The consultation was held between 18 March and 14 April 2022.

The following consultation comments were received:

Peak District Local Access Forum – support the extension.

Derbyshire Dales Ramblers – no objection to the proposed direction. Closure for another year of both the two RoWs and the Access Land is acceptable due to ongoing safety concerns and understanding of there being considerable land slip across the site.

Great Hucklow Parish Council - can see no basis on which it can be safely opened in its current state and agree with the decision to keep this closed.

Foolow Parish Meeting - fully support the continued closure of the area given the ongoing instability of the land (two recent falls have been reported). Look forward to the area being opened up once again but only when it is safe to do so.

A landowner – report that a large number of walkers are confused about the closure of the restricted byway which runs along the lower edge of the closed area of land.

2) Outcome

The PDNPA is satisfied that the restriction of CROW access to the extent identified is necessary on public safety grounds having regard to the occurrences of instability, the presence of a potential contributory factor and the nature and character of the land.

The PDNPA, as Mineral Planning Authority, has commissioned geotechnical investigations into the instability at this site and is considering the conclusions and recommendations of the report received. This includes the approval and implementation of reinstatement works. Pending this, it is necessary to protect the safety of the public by extending the temporary closure of the land.

Having regard to the continuing evidence of instability, potential contributory factors, and the nature and character of the land, PDNPA is satisfied that a restriction of CROW access to the extent identified is necessary on public safety grounds. It is considered that the extension of up to one year would be an appropriate period of time for identification and rectification of the instability.

This direction shall cease to have effect on 30 April 2023 or, if earlier, the date on which PDNPA as Mineral Planning Authority approves completion of the necessary remediation having regard to the outcome of the geotechnical investigations undertaken by the PDNPA as the Mineral Planning Authority. In the event of the instability being more extensive or requiring more extensive remediation, the direction shall be further reviewed.

3) Summary of Restriction

Land Parcel Name:	Dates of Restriction	Reason for Exclusion
Silence & Old Grove Mines, Great Hucklow	30 April 2023	Public Safety

Details of the restriction will appear at www.openaccess.naturalengland.org.uk.