

**October 2025 update to Members of GLAF**  
**Definitive Map Modification Orders (DMMOs)**

**General: (to 1 October 2025)**

<sup>∞</sup> Three needed to be removed due to errors found in the applications; we're liaising with the applicants over those.

	End of 2020	End of 2021	End of 2022	End of 2023	End of 2024	So far in 2025
Total number of 'unresolved' applications:	168	171	210	213	207	197 <sup>∞</sup>
No. of new 'min.14(1) compliant' applications received in Year:	7	21	35	13	7	1
No. of applications 'determined' in Year:	4	8	6	17	16	8
No. of applications fully 'resolved' in Year:	3	11	5	13	10	8
No. of routes added to DM&S by 'other legal mechanisms' in Year:	n/a	3	4	3	0	1

*(“Minimum 14(1) compliant” applications are valid applications in terms of needing determination. They are only described as ‘fully 14(2) compliant’ once the applicant has confirmed they have served Notice on the landowner via Forms 2 & 3.)*

**Number of all ‘undetermined’ applications: (to 1 October 2025)**

	End of 2020	End of 2021	End of 2022	End of 2023	End of 2024	So far in 2025
Undetermined	23	21	50	53	48	44 <sup>∞</sup>
Undet-Archived*	54	52	52	44	40	35
Undet-Non14(2) *	57	61	72	74	73	72 <sup>∞</sup>

*(“Archived” applications are whereby the intended effect of the application is likely to be nulled by a subsequent change in legislation (for example, the NERC Act); “Non14(2)” applications have not been ‘fully made’ but are still valid applications in terms of needing determination.)*

**Number of all unresolved ‘determined’ applications: (to 1 October 2025)**

	Apps at appeal/ publication/ confirmation stage	Apps with unresolved objections	
		Submitted to SoS	Awaiting submission
No.	1	4, plus 5 pending	41

**Determinations in Jan - Sept 2025:**

**Total = 7**

573/11/094(1)	03 February 2025	Not to make an Order for BOAT but to update the List of Streets for part to reflect the public MPV rights under 67(2)NERC.
573/11/042.5(5)	04 February 2025	Not to make an Order for BOAT but to update the List of Streets for part to reflect the public MPV rights under 67(2)NERC.
573/11/063(1)	04 February 2025	Not to make an Order for BOAT but to update the List of Streets to reflect the public MPV rights under 67(2)NERC.
573/11/214(17)	04 February 2025	Refuse as outcome proposed by DMMO claim achieved using alternative legal mechanism, Creation Order under s.26 Highways Act, 1980.
573/11/115(2)	17 March 2025	Not to make an Order because none of the 67(2) & (3) NERC 2006 exceptions apply.
573/11/115(3)	17 March 2025	Not to make an Order because none of the 67(2) & (3) NERC 2006 exceptions apply.
573/11/209(14)	17 March 2025	Not to make an Order for BOAT but to update the List of Streets to reflect the public MPV rights under 67(2)NERC.
573/11/256(2)	9 June 2025	Not to make an Order on the basis that an alternative legal mechanism (being s25HA1980) has been used to create a footpath through the site.

**Additional comment/information: (to 1 Oct 2025)**

GLAF Comment: “GLAF recommend that delegated powers be made the default for determination of DMMOs; however where cases are controversial or subject to many valid objections that they then should be reported to CROW Cttee for determination. This is a similar process to that used within planning applications.”

This recommendation has now been passed to the Council's Democratic Services Unit (DemocraticServices@gloucestershire.gov.uk). They have advised that any proposed alteration to the terms of the Committee will need to be put to the Committee to explore and consider. If the CROW Committee recommends any change to its terms of reference, it would first require a formal Committee decision, which would then need to go to the Constitution Committee and, if agreed, then to full Council for a final decision.

**CROW Committee and the elections:**

First CROW Committee meeting of the new Administration will be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October, with two applications being taken for determination.

**Regulations (cut-off/DeReg, etc.):**

No further known update in respect of England. However, the Welsh Senedd have now repealed the “cut-off” for Wales. It's contained under Scheule 1, Part 15 of the attached:

<https://www.legislation.gov.uk/asc/2025/3/contents>

**Staffing:**

Funding for a ‘career grade’ Officer was granted in the 25/26 budget. As you are aware, experienced DMMO Officers are hard to find, and this will enable us to ‘grow our own’. Recruitment is now progressing.

**Trinome Changes:**

I apologise that we're currently unable to provide any resolution to this. However, the Team will look at options.

**Karen Brookes Pearman, Asset Data Team Leader (Highway Records & DMMO)**  
**1 October 2025**

## GCC PROW UPDATE FOR GLAF – October 2025 (comprising 2025 figures)

**PUBLIC PATH ORDERS**

<b>Highways Act</b>	<b>April – October 2024</b>	<b>April – February 2025</b>	<b>Jan – October 2025</b>
Applications in progress (inc made and confirmed)	20 (excluding on hold/unable to confirm)	<b>18</b>	<b>22</b>
Orders made	2 (Blockley diversion, Painswick Diversion)	<b>2</b> (Blockley diversion, Painswick Diversion)	<b>2</b> (Highnam diversion; Didmarton diversion)
Orders confirmed	4 (Newent x2; Bourton; Eastington)	<b>6</b> (Newent x2; Bourton; Eastington; Gorsley & Kilkot+ S26 creation at Beeches Green made by DMMO team.)	<b>2</b> (Gorsley & Kilkot diversion; Highnam diversion)
Orders Completed	3 (Great Witcombe; Cam; Tetbury Upton)	<b>7</b> (Gt Witcombe; Cam; Tetbury Upton; Newent x2; Eastington; Bourton)	<b>1</b> (Gorsley & Kilkot diversion)
Applications waiting progress	9	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>
Waiting List	86	<b>93</b>	<b>102</b>
<b>TCPA (development orders from District Councils/DOT)</b>			
Orders Made	2	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
Orders Confirmed	2	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
Certified	1	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>

**OPERATIONAL**

Requests for Service (inc maintenance etc)	1 April – 1 October 2024	<b>1 April 2024 to 1 February 2025</b>	<b>1 Jan 25 – October 2025</b>
Received	1019	<b>2217</b>	<b>2339</b>
Resolved	1347	<b>3131</b>	<b>1774</b>
Planning Consultations	270	<b>441</b>	<b>543</b>

S31(6) Depositions & renewals	14	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>
Temp closures inc emergency, event, extensions & full orders	70	<b>106</b> (inc 53 order, 31 extension)	<b>75</b> (Inc 45 orders, 30 Extensions)

## GCC Area Officer Update

### Louisa Rankin– North Cotswolds

- **HLO20 Longborough, Monarchs Way Bridleway:** Improvements funded by multiple sources including UKSPF, Cotswold Way Association, and local councils. The project focused on surfacing enhancements.



- **HEB31 Bridge:** A bridge improvement project on HEB 31, Ebrington



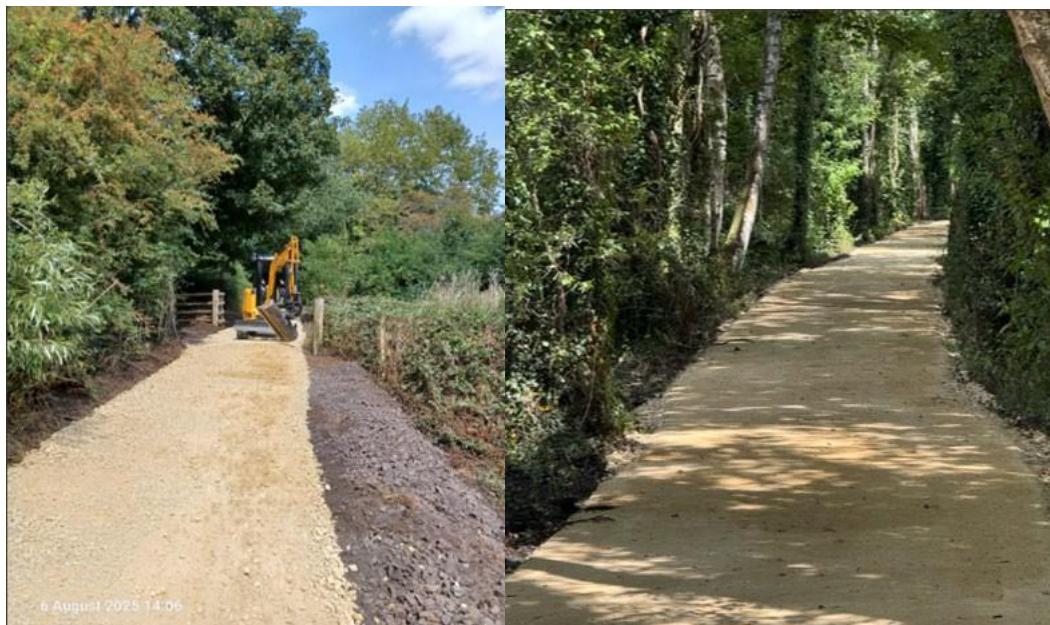
## Will Saunder – Gloucester and North Forest

- **Staunton Bridleway GST29:** Safety and accessibility upgrades included resurfacing, a new bridle gate, culvert installation to prevent flooding, and a ramp onto the bridge. These changes addressed poor surface conditions and flooding issues.



### **Frank Dorrington Ward – Stroud East & South Cotswolds**

- **Tetbury Trail:** 1.1 km of resurfacing on a popular multi-user path along the old railway line. The project was well received and funded by multiple trusts and GCC teams.



- **NAV 1 Bridleway (Avening):** 50m of bridleway resurfaced to eliminate a severe quagmire, reconnecting it to the wider bridleway network.



#### **Hilary Grace – Cheltenham & Tewkesbury**

- **ASM 14 Bridge at Southam:** Bridge replacement carried out by Cotswold Voluntary Wardens, with support from Rob (GCC Works Warden).



### **Sarah Macaulay-Lowe - Stroud Area (west of A46)**

Gossington Bridleway CSL 16 - Wide, enclosed by hedges, bridleway which has a clay surface (low lying area). Very wet in the winter and dries to concrete in the summer. Report came in about a horse sinking over its hocks in clay.

We carried out some surface and drainage work to repair the surface and re-establish the ditches

#### **Before**



#### **After**



## Jeff Wheeler – Forest of Dean / West Gloucestershire



5 new pedestrian bridges have been installed across the South Forest Area including this one on Public Footpath DBL28 near to Gaulett Farm on 2<sup>nd</sup> July. This replaced the broken and impassable one that we had not been able to access for the last two years, due to the wet ground conditions.



And at Alvington.

**General** Two substantial new boardwalks made of modern long life materials have improved access at popular tourist sites. One at Windrush replacing an old rotten timber walk and one on the Offas Dyke.

