

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Proposed diversion GKE/38  
**Date:** 19 January 2023 10:09:02

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Hi [REDACTED]

I have suggested to [REDACTED] who's dealing with the GKE/38 diversion that she contact you, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as we discussed on Tuesday.

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]  
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Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Re: Proposed diversion GKE/38  
Date: 20 January 2023 15:03:59  
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I would also happily talk to the [REDACTED] if you thought this would help. You will be aware we are doing a lot locally to improve our public rights of way and promote responsible use by local people and visitors alike. It might also help us going forward to have a better dialogue with [REDACTED] so that he can be more in tune with and support local aspirations and needs.

All the best

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Kempley Parish Council

[REDACTED]

Mobile [REDACTED]  
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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Proposed diversion GKE/38  
**Date:** 23 January 2023 13:32:55  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email and your telephone message on Friday afternoon, unfortunately I was out of the office so didn't pick up your message until this morning.

Thank you also for confirming Kempley Parish Council's support for the proposed diversion. I will wait to hear from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

We don't normally disclose the identity or contact details of individual objectors unless they give their consent, but I will go back to [REDACTED] to see if their representative would be willing to meet you on site to discuss the public rights of way in the parish and their objection to the GKE 38 diversion, and I'd be happy to attend as well if that would help.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 20 January 2023 15:04  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed diversion GKE/38

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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Footpath Diversion - GKE38 Diversion  
**Date:** 07 February 2023 17:42:29  
**Attachments:** [PastedGraphic-1.png](#)

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[REDACTED]

Attached is an E Mail from [REDACTED] of the Kempley Walking Group. You will see that of the 14 walkers today 7 voted in favour and 7 abstained. Those who abstained do not have knowledge about the diversion and could not comment in detail on the proposal (most if most all live outside Kempley). Kempley walkers all supported the diversion.

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Regards  
[REDACTED]

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Subject: Footpath**

**Date:** 7 February 2023 at 14:45:28 GMT

**To:** [REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] 7 voted in favour of the closure, the rest abstained.



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Fwd: Diversion of footpath GKE38 and GDY57  
**Date:** 07 February 2023 17:59:08  
**Attachments:** [2022 - 11 Footpaths-map-proposed-diversion.pdf](#)  
[2022-11 Footpath-diversion-Statement-of-reasons-GKE-38-GDY-57.pdf](#)  
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[REDACTED]

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If you want any further clarification just let me know.

Regards

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[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Footpath Diversion - GKE38 Diversion  
**Date:** 10 February 2023 09:11:23  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for forwarding [REDACTED] email of support and for obtaining input from the Windcross Paths Group.

I did go back to [REDACTED] to point out the merits of the proposal, and how it meets the legal tests for a diversion. I also explained that there is significant local support for the diversion, but unfortunately they are maintaining their objection. [REDACTED] and I will have a discussion with our manager about the best way forward and will keep you updated.

Kind regards,

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**Sent:** 07 February 2023 17:42  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] >  
**Subject:** Fwd: Footpath Diversion - GKE38 Diversion

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]



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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Diversion of footpath GKE38 and GDY57  
**Date:** 10 February 2023 09:34:57

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for the letter of support from the Windcross Paths Group for the proposed diversion of footpaths GKE 38 and GDY 57.

[REDACTED] and I are aware that there is significant local support for the proposal, but unfortunately [REDACTED] is maintaining their objection to the diversion. We will keep you updated as to progress.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 07 February 2023 20:07  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Fwd: Diversion of footpath GKE38 and GDY57

Dear [REDACTED]

Pleased find the attached letter on behalf of the Windcross Paths Group. It explains our position in support of the proposed diversion affecting GKE38 and GDY57.

Best regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Paths Group

----- Original Message -----

From: [REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, 7 Feb, 23 At 17:58

Subject: Fwd: Diversion of footpath GKE38 and GDY57

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**Subject:** Re: Footpath Diversion - GKE38 Diversion  
**Date:** 10 February 2023 13:02:38

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[REDACTED]

Can I be clear is the objection from [REDACTED] or from one local member of [REDACTED]. In other words who does he represent.

Can you also confirm what justification is being give for the objection.

As you will appreciate an objection like this with no reference to local needs and concerns is highly annoying. I am considering escalating this to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to let them know how out of tune they are with local feelings from villagers and walkers who have done so much over the years to open up and improve local footpaths. In other words the position [REDACTED] is taking is counter productive to the aims and objectives of [REDACTED].

The last thing anyone wants to see in Kempley is a great opportunity to resolve a long standing problem and to create a new amenity for the village and the many visitors we get each spring.

Let me know if you think escalating our feelings will be helpful or not.

Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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