



Notice of Making of An Order  
Highways Act 1980

Bedford Borough Council

**BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (WOOTTON: PUBLIC FOOTPATH No. 41 AND  
KEMPSTON RURAL: PART OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH No. 17)  
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2026**

The above Order made on 28 May 2026 under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 will divert:-

- i. That length of Public Footpath numbered 41 in the Parish of Wootton in the environs of "86 Keeley Lane," Wootton commencing from a point where it has a junction with the public road known as "Keeley Lane" in Wootton approximately 87 metres south-west of the property known as "86 Keeley Lane" Wootton at Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OSGR) TL 0015/4612 shown as Point A on the Order Map and running in a northern direction for approximately 227 metres to the parish boundary at OSGR TL 0018/4634 shown as Point B on the Order Map where it has a junction with Public Footpath numbered 17 Kempston Rural and then running in a north-western direction for approximately 174 metres to OSGR TL 0014/4650 shown as Point C on the Order Map forming part of this Order to a point commencing from where it has a junction with the public road known as "Keeley Lane," Wootton approximately 74 metres south-west of the property known as "86 Keeley Lane" Wootton at Ordnance Survey Grid Reference (OSGR) TL 0016/4611 shown as Point D on the Order Map and running in a generally northern direction for approximately 237 metres to the parish boundary at OSGR TL 0021/4634 shown as Point E on the Order Map and then running in a north-west, west direction for approximately 203 metres where it has a junction with the unaffected part of Public Footpath numbered 17 Kempston Rural at OSGR TL 0014/4650 shown as Point C on the Order Map approximately 98 metres south-east of the property known as "30 Wood End Road" Kempston Rural.

A copy of the Order and the Order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford by appointment from 10am to 4pm on Weekdays (Bank and Public Holidays excepted). A copy of the Order as made and the Order Map have been placed and may be downloaded free of charge from the Bedford Borough Council Website. Navigate to: <https://www.bedford.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-travel/public-rights-way/public-path-orders/>

Any representations about or objections to the Order must be addressed to Manager of Transport Operations, Bedford Borough Council, Room 436, Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford MK42 9AP. They may be sent by email to [RightsofWay@bedford.gov.uk](mailto:RightsofWay@bedford.gov.uk) or by post, to be received no later than 03 July 2026. Please state the grounds on which they are made.

If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any so made are withdrawn Bedford Borough Council may confirm the Order as an unopposed Order. If the Order is sent to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for confirmation any representations and objections which have not been withdrawn will be sent with the Order.

Dated 04 June 2026  
CRAIG AUSTIN  
Director of Environment