



Lake District
National Park

LAKE DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION AND DEFINITIVE MAP & STATEMENT
MODIFICATION ORDER 2026**

**SECTION 119 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980
SECTION 53A(2) WILDLIFE & COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

**DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH 361038, LOWTHER BARN TO SHAP ABBEY
SHAP RURAL PARISH**

The above order made on 22 January 2026 will divert Public Footpath 361038 between Lowther Barn and Shap Abbey between:

- NY 5374 1580 & NY 5382 1576 - through the curtilage of Lowther Barn to the used route less than 10m to the south;
- NY 5383 1575 & NY 5397 1565 - south of the barn to a new route eastwards over the dyke then south-eastwards along the dyke edge;
- NY 5453 1559 & NY 5472 1530 - a minimal distance onto the walked line then benched track running towards Shap Abbey.

The order made on 4 September 2025 incorporating the above, and an additional section between NY 5397 1565 and NY 5453 1559 has been formally abandoned and is replaced by this new order.

A copy of the order and plan may be seen during office hours at Customer Services, Westmorland & Furness Council, South Lakeland House, Lowther Street, Kendal, LA9 4DQ; at the Lake District National Park Authority, Wayfaring House, Murley Moss, Oxenholme Road, Kendal, LA9 7RL; and at Shap Post Office, Shap, Penrith, CA10 3NG. You can also buy copies from the Authority for £3 each or view online at www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/rowchanges

Any representations about, or objections to, the order should be sent in writing to Rights of Way at the above (LDNPA) address or to nick.thorne@lakedistrict.gov.uk to arrive no later than 2 March 2026.

If we receive none, or if all received are withdrawn, we may confirm an unopposed order. If an order is submitted to the Secretary of State for confirmation we will include any outstanding representations and objections.

Authority Solicitor, 22 January 2026



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**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 119
WILDLIFE & COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981 – S.53A(2)**

**THE LAKE DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION AND DEFINITIVE MAP & STATEMENT
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SHAP RURAL PARISH**

DATED:	22 January 2026
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**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980
WILDLIFE & COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

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**PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION AND DEFINITIVE MAP & STATEMENT MODIFICATION
ORDER 2025**

**DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH 361038, LOWTHER BARN TO SHAP ABBEY
SHAP RURAL PARISH**

This order is made by the Lake District National Park Authority (“the Authority”) under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 (“the 1980 Act”) because it appears to the Authority that it is expedient to divert the lines of the footpaths described in paragraph 1 of this order in the interests of the public.

This order is also made under section 53A(2) of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (“the 1981 Act”) because it appears to the Authority that the County of Cumbria Definitive Map & Statement require modification in consequence of an occurrence of an event specified in section 53(3)(a)(i) of the 1981 Act; namely the diversion (as authorised by this order) of a highway shown in the map and statement.

Westmorland and Furness Council, Shap Rural Parish Council, and Natural England have been consulted as required by Section 120(2) of the 1980 Act.

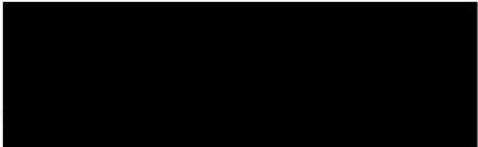
BY THIS ORDER:

- 1 The public rights of way shown by bold continuous lines on the attached plan and described in Part 1 of the Schedule shall be stopped up, and the County of Cumbria Definitive Map shall be modified by deleting from it those public rights of way, on the date of first publication of confirmation of this order.
- 2 Despite this order all statutory undertakers shall continue to have any existing rights of access to and egress from any apparatus equipment and plant accessible only from the right of way referred to in Part 1 of the Schedule.
- 3 There shall be from the date of first publication of confirmation of this order public footpaths as described in Part 2 of the Schedule and shown by bold dashed lines on the plan, and the County of Cumbria Definitive Map shall be modified by adding those rights of way to it.
- 4 The County of Cumbria Definitive Statement shall be modified as described in Part 4 of the Schedule to this order.
- 5 This order is called The Lake District National Park Authority Public Path Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2025 - Diversion of Footpath 361038, Lowther Barn to Shap Abbey, Shap Rural Parish and is dated 22 January 2026.
- 6 The new rights shall be subject to the limitations and conditions set out in Part 3 of the Schedule.

Dated the twenty-second day of January 2026

Executed as a deed by
affixing the Common Seal of
LAKE DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY
in the presence of:

Authorised Signatory .



SCHEDULE

PART 1

Section of footpath as indicated on plan	Description of public right of way extinguished and deleted from definitive map
Marked with a bold continuous line and shown A-D-C	From Point A west of old barn (NY 5374 1580) eastwards and south eastwards for around 100 metres to and through curtilage of barn and old homestead to Point C (NY 5382 1576) south west of the barn.
Marked with a bold continuous line and shown E-Q-P	From south of the old homestead north-east of Rayside at Point E (NY 5383 1575) southwards along road for 135 metres to Point Q (NY 5386 1561) and east north eastwards for 100m to Point P (NY 5397 1565).
Marked with a bold continuous line and shown J-M	From Point J above generally south south eastwards for around 360 metres to Point M (NY 5472 1530) south of Abbey Bridge.

PART 2

Section of footpath as indicated on plan	Description of rights of way created and added to definitive map
Marked with a bold dashed line and shown A-B-C	From Point A west of old barn (NY 5374 1580) eastwards and south eastwards for around 100 metres to and through curtilage of barn and old homestead to Point C (NY 5382 1576) south west of the barn. Width = 2.0 metres throughout.
Marked with a bold dashed line and shown E-F-P	From south of the old homestead north-east of Rayside at Point E (NY 5383 1575) eastwards for 30 metres to bridge over Dyke at Point F (NY 5386 1575) then south eastwards for 320 metres following Dyke to Point P (NY 5397 1565). Widths = 2.0 metres except at gate at NY 5383 1575 (1.0m) and bridge at NY 5386 1575 (1.2 metres).
Marked with a bold dashed line and shown J-K-L-M	From Point J above generally south south eastwards for around 370 metres via gate at Point K (NY 5470 1532) to Point L (NY 5472 1528) then northwards for 20 metres to Point M (NY 5472 1530) south of Abbey Bridge. Width = 2.0 metres except at gate at NY 5470 1532 (1.2m)

PART 3

Limitations and conditions

Field Gate (2.75m) at NY 5378 1578
Field Gate (3.0m) and Kissing Gate (1.0m) at NY 5382 1576
Kissing Gate (1.0m) at NY 5383 1574
Wicket Gate (1.8m) at NY 5453 1559
Wicket Gate (1.2m) at NY 5740 1532
All to LDNP Standards 2011

PART 4

Modification of the Definitive Statement

Replace Definitive Statement for 361038 Shap Rural Parish with the following

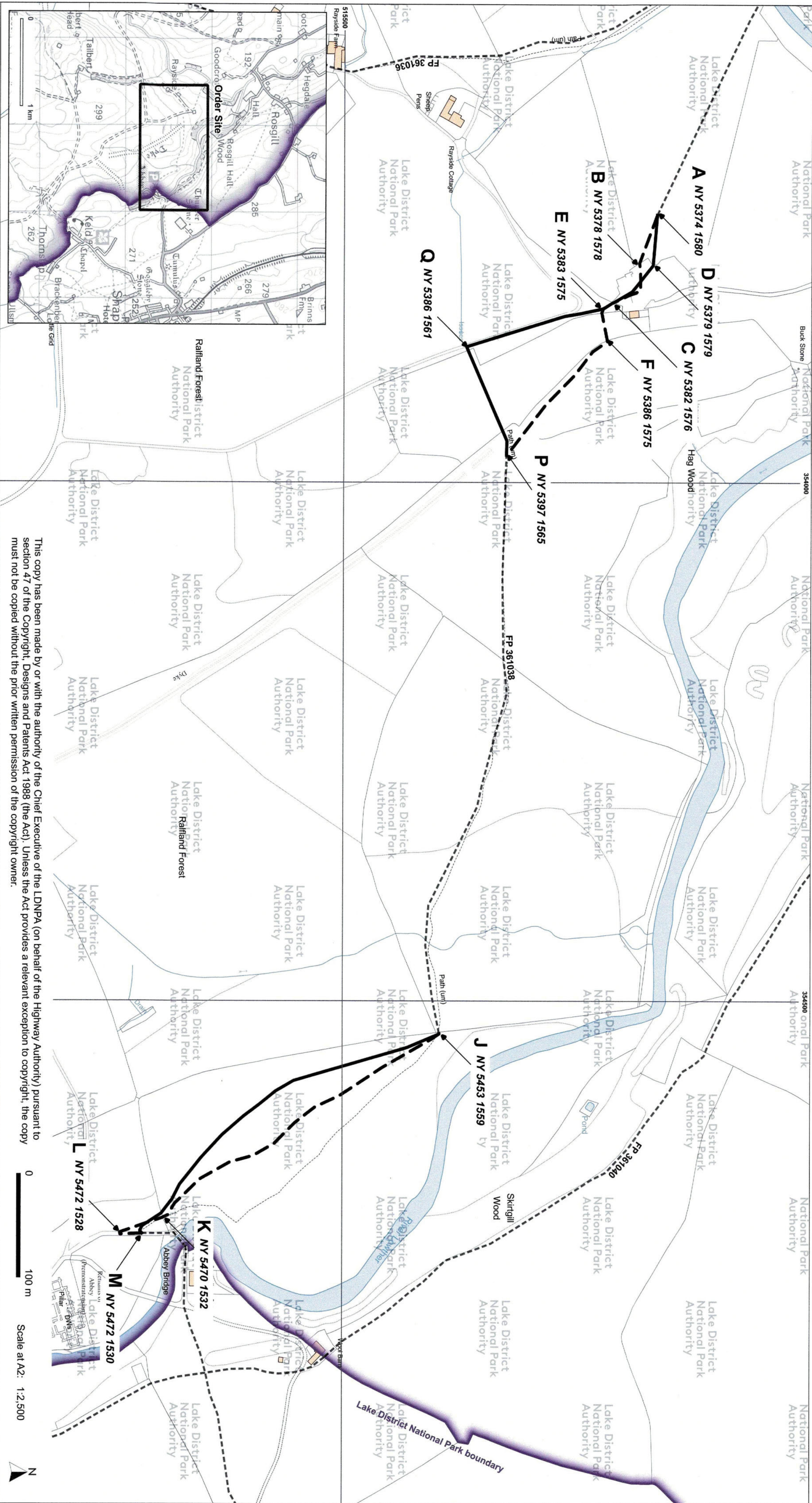
Path Number	361038
Path Type	Footpath
Description	From Shap Parish Boundary at Abbey Bridge, southwards for 50 metres, then north westwards for about 370 metres, then generally west-north-westwards for around 585 metres to bridge over dyke and westwards for 30 metres then northwards and north westwards for 355 metres through the curtilage of the old homestead and barn to footpath 361036 at Parish Crag Bridge. Width 2.0m except at bridge (1.2m) at NY 5386 1575 and gates listed in limitations.
Remarks	Diverted at Lowther Barn, south of Lowther Barn, and on the approach to Shap Abbey, 2026
Limitations & Conditions	Field Gate (2.75m) at NY 5378 1578; Field Gate (3.0m) and Kissing Gate (1.0m) at NY 5382 1576; Kissing Gate (1.0m) at NY 5383 1574; Wicket Gate (1.8m) at NY 5453 1559; Wicket Gate (1.2m) at NY 5740 1532 - All to LDNP Standards 2011.

Diversion of Footpath 361038, North of Shap Abbey, Shap Rural Parish

Highways Act 1980 Section 119 and Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Section 53



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- To be created
- To be extinguished
- Unaffected public rights of way
- Footpath
- Lake District National Park boundary

Centre of map:
NY 5426 1556

Date Authored: 09/12/2025

Authorised signatory:



Date: 22/1/2026