

ADVANCE NOTICE OF TEMPORARY CLOSURE



PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY 407021, SMITHY BECK BRIDGE, ENNERDALE AND KINNISIDE PARISH

We intend to make an Order temporarily closing part of Bridleway 407021 whilst Smithy Beck Bridge is replaced by Forestry England. The bridge crossing and forest road to the east will be closed (between points A and B on the plan) to enable the efficient replacement of the bridge. Although an Order may last up to 6 months, it will only remain in effect until the works are complete, it is expected that the works will begin on 10 November 2026 and that the closure will be in effect for less than a week.

An alternative route for walkers and dismounted cyclists will be available as shown on the plan by the green line between points A-C-B, utilising an established walking trail, footbridge over the beck and forest roads. Unfortunately this route is not as easy to use or accessible as the bridleway, there is no suitable alternative route available for horses, or users with mobility scooters or pushchairs.

If you have any queries, please contact Will Hinchliffe, Rights of Way Officer, on 01539 792696, or will.hinchliffe@lakedistrict.gov.uk



PUBLIC PATH NOTICE
THE LAKE DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY
BRIDLEWAY 407021, SMITHY BECK BRIDGE, ENNERDALE AND KINNISIDE PARISH
TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC ORDER 2026

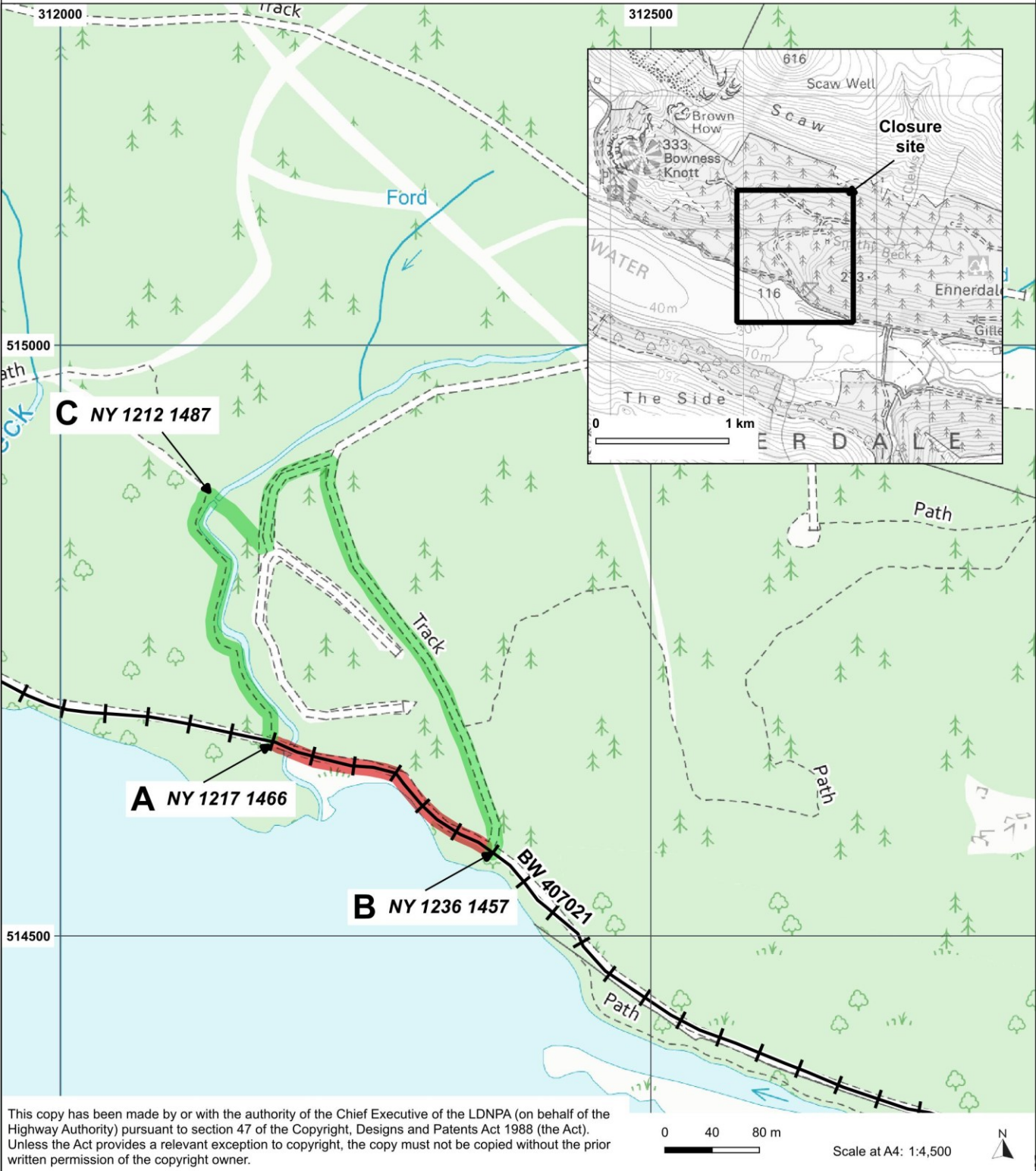
NOTICE IS GIVEN that under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the Lake District National Park Authority intends, not less than seven days from the date of this notice, to make an order. The effect of the order will be to prohibit public traffic for all purposes from proceeding over part of Bridleway 407021, between NY 1217 1466 and NY 1236 1457, at Smithy Beck bridge, Ennerdale and Kinniside, to enable works to replace the bridge.

The notice and plan showing the route concerned may be inspected during normal office or opening hours at the National Park Authority, Wayfaring House, Murley Moss, Oxenholme Road, Kendal, LA9 7RL; at Cumberland Council Customer Services, Market Hall, Market Square, Whitehaven, CA28 7JG; and at Cleator Moor Post Office, Cumbrian Co-Op Store, 76 Leconfield Street, Cleator Moor, CA25 5PX; and online at www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/rowclosures.

The order is anticipated to take effect on 10 November 2026 and will continue in force for six months, or until the works are complete, if earlier. It is expected that the works are likely to take a week or less. If the works have not been completed during this period it may be extended with the approval of the Secretary of State. An alternative route for walkers and dismounted cyclists will be available and signed to the north of the bridleway via forest tracks, and a footbridge. There is no suitable alternative for other users.

Authority Solicitor, 15 October 2026

Temporary Traffic Regulation
Temporary Closure of Part of Bridleway 407021, Smithy
Beck Bridge, Ennerdale, Ennerdale and Kinniside Parish
Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984



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- Route to be closed
- Alternative route for pedestrians
- Other public rights of way
- Footpath
- Bridleway

Centre of map:
NY 1238 1479

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