



**Lake District  
National Park**

**LAKE DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC PATH AND DEFINITIVE MAP & STATEMENT MODIFICATION  
ORDERS 2025-2026**

**SECTIONS 26 & 119 HIGHWAYS ACT 1980  
SECTION 53A(2) WILDLIFE & COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981**

**DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH 361038, LOWTHER BARN TO SHAP ABBEY, AND  
CREATION OF FOOTPATH 361050, SHAP ABBEY, SHAP RURAL PARISH**

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Authority Solicitor, 12 October 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  
MODIFICATION ORDER 2026**

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

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|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| DATED:             | 22 January 2026                                        |
| File Reference:    | 1412.361.07                                            |
| Minute Reference:  | Ranger Team Leaders<br>23 July 2025 & 18 December 2025 |
| Archive Reference: | AM16                                                   |



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**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980  
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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

| <b>Section of footpath as indicated on plan</b>    | <b>Description of public right of way extinguished and deleted from definitive map</b>                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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

| <b>Section of footpath as indicated on plan</b>  | <b>Description of rights of way created and added to definitive map</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 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

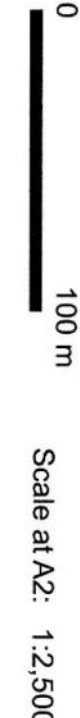
### **PART 4**

#### **Modification of the Definitive Statement**

**Replace Definitive Statement for 361038 Shap Rural Parish with the following**

|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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| <b>Path Number</b>                  | 361038                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Path Type</b>                    | Footpath                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Description</b>                  | 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. |
| <b>Remarks</b>                      | Diverted at Lowther Barn, south of Lowther Barn, and on the approach to Shap Abbey, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Limitations &amp; Conditions</b> | 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.                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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Centre of map:  
NY 5426 1556

Date Authored: 09/12/2025

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**CERTIFICATE OF CONDITION OF NEW PATHS**

**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – SECTION 119(3)**

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I certify that:

- All the work necessary to bring the new footpath into a fit condition for use by the public has been completed.

I also certify that all the rights of way furniture on the new path is 'easy-to-use' and conforms to the requirements of the Equality Act 2010.

Signed



Date.....14 September 2026.....

Occupation **Nick Thorne, Senior Rights of Way Officer, LDNPA**

**Please return to:** Ranger Team Business Support Officer, Lake District National Park Authority



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

The above-named Order was confirmed by the Lake District National Park Authority  
unopposed and without modification on 12 October 2026



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Authorised Signatory, on behalf of the Lake District National Park Authority

# CHANGES TO PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY NETWORK



## Coast-to-Coast Path National Trail - Footpath 361038 between Lowther Barn and Shap Abbey

We have confirmed the order changing the path network in this area to benefit the public.

The formal notice is shown below. The map attached shows the change, which can be summarised as:

- A-D-C-E-Q-P and J-M has been replaced with A-B-C-E-F-P and J-K-L-M between Lowther Barn and Shap Abbey, Shap Rural Parish.

If you have any queries, contact Nick Thorne, Senior Rights of Way Officer on 01539 792621 or [nick.thorne@lakedistrict.gov.uk](mailto:nick.thorne@lakedistrict.gov.uk)

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