



HAD 302 – Public Path Order Public Meeting

**A presentation on the history of West Crinnis Field & FP 1
Carlyon, as well as an overview of PROW, the consultation
proposals, and the PPO process**



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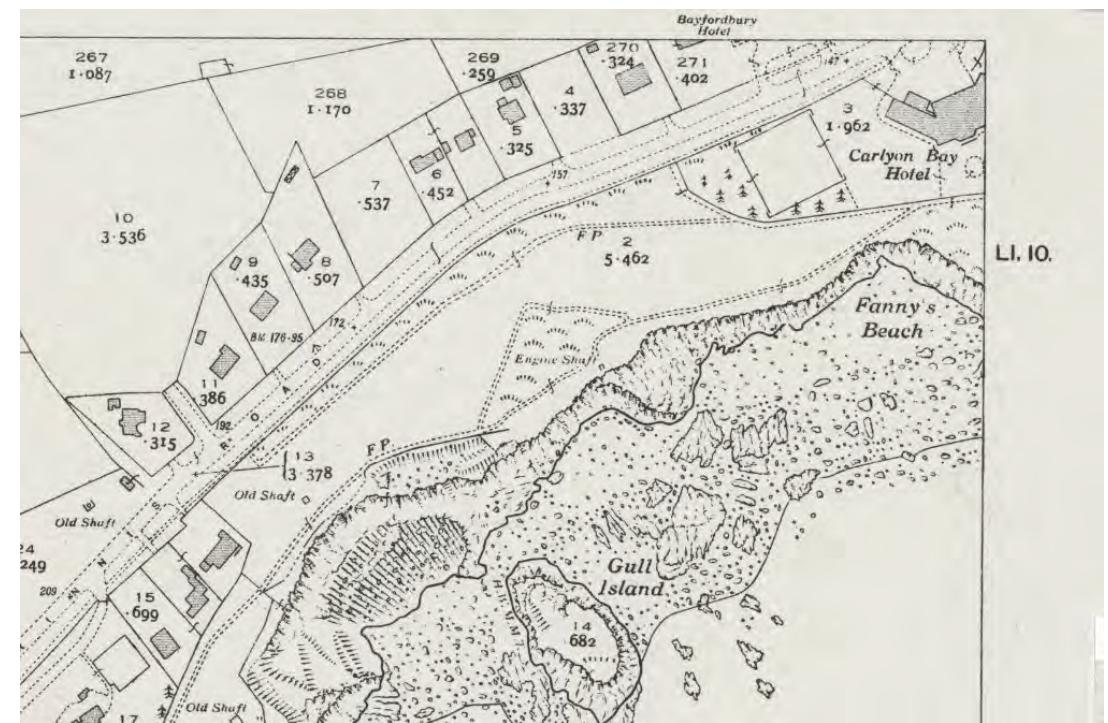
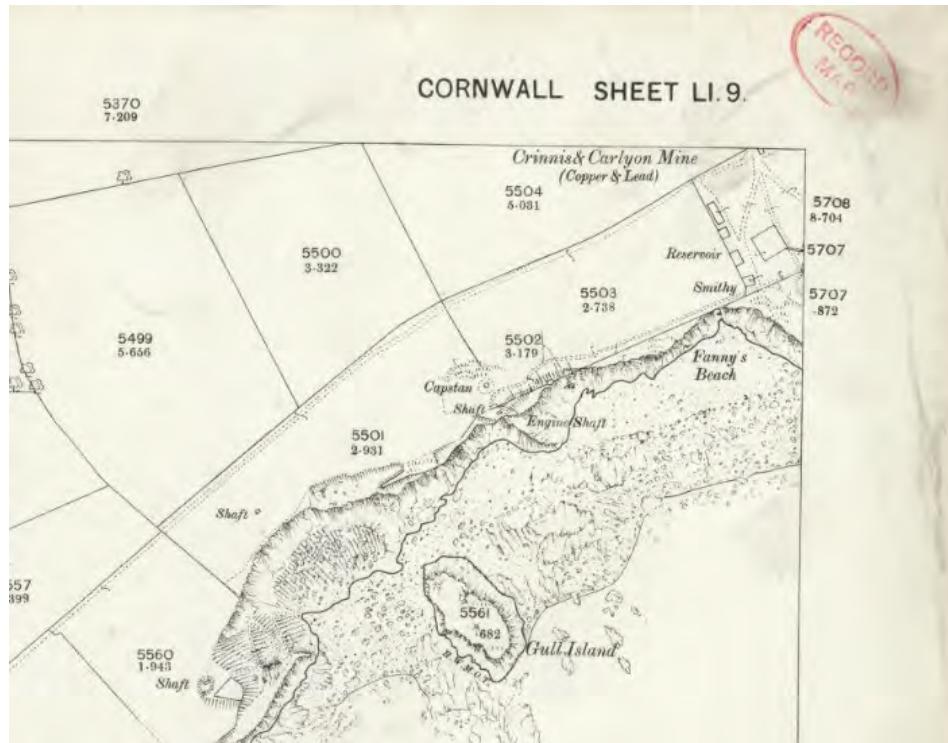
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History of the Path – Tithe Map (c.1840s)



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History of the Path – Ordnance Survey Maps (1882 & 1937)



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History of the Path – Aerial Image (late 1940s)



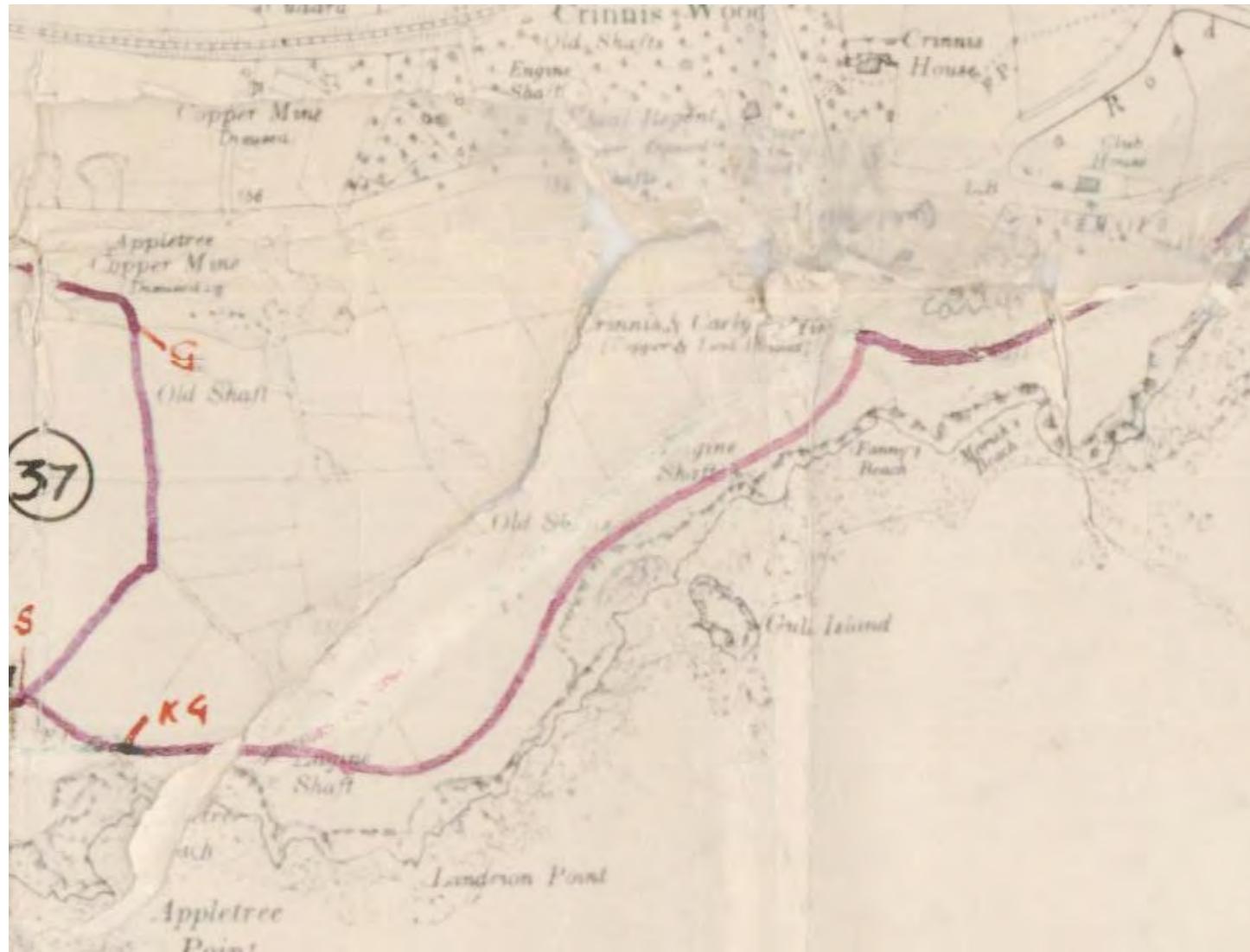
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History of the Path – Aerial Images (1953)



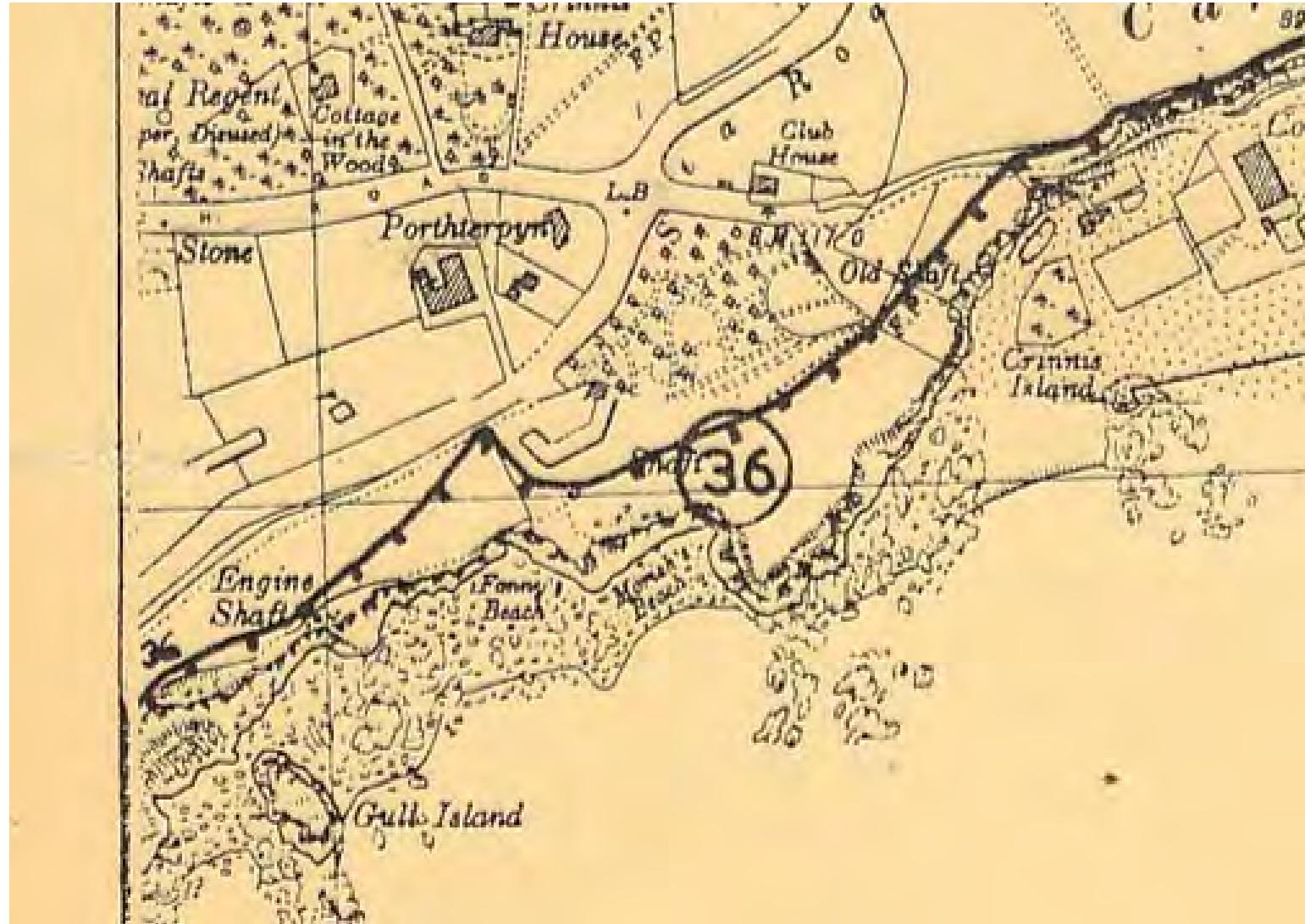
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History of the Path – Draft Definitive Map (Survey July 1953, Published 1957)



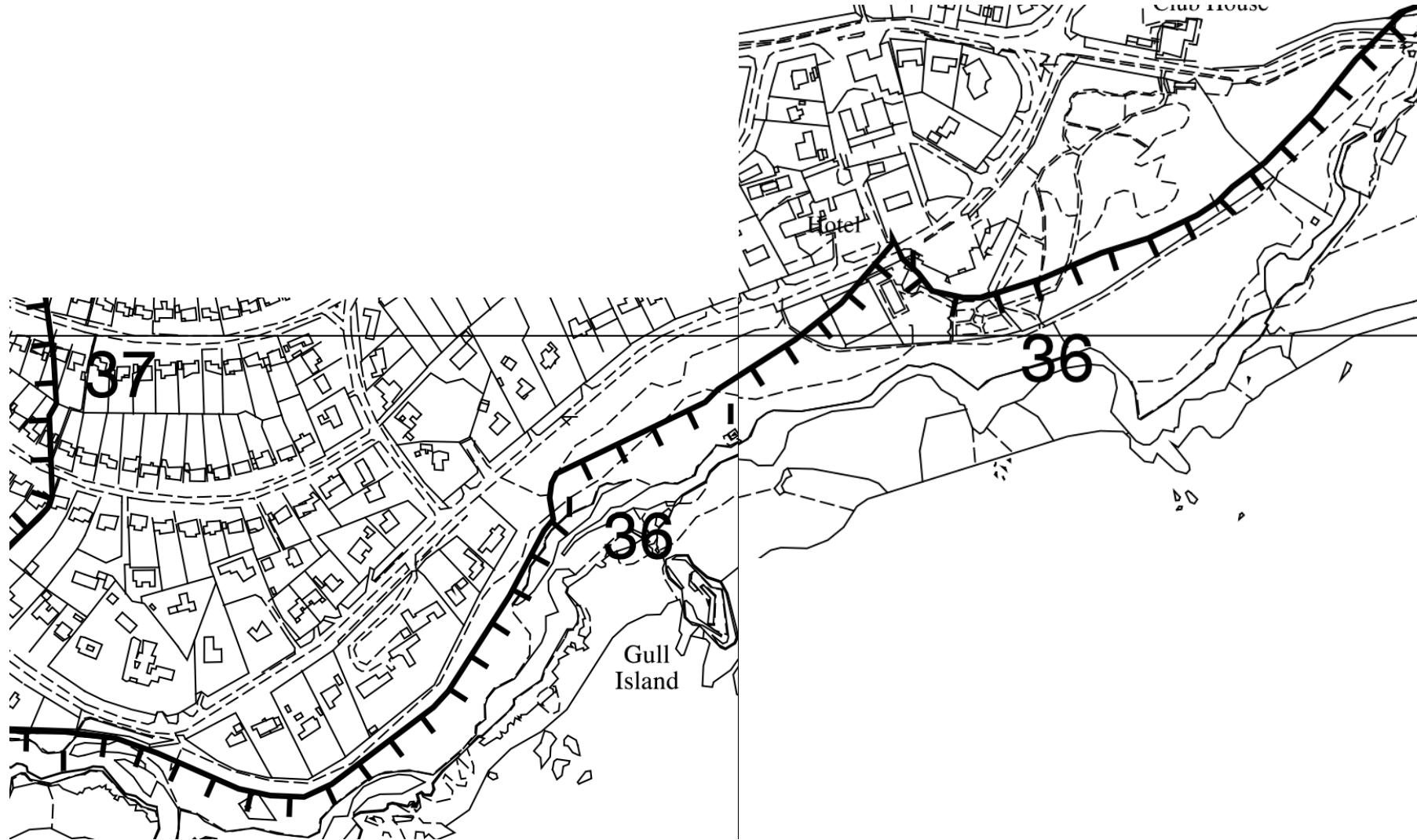
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History of the Path – First Edition Definitive Map (c.1960s)



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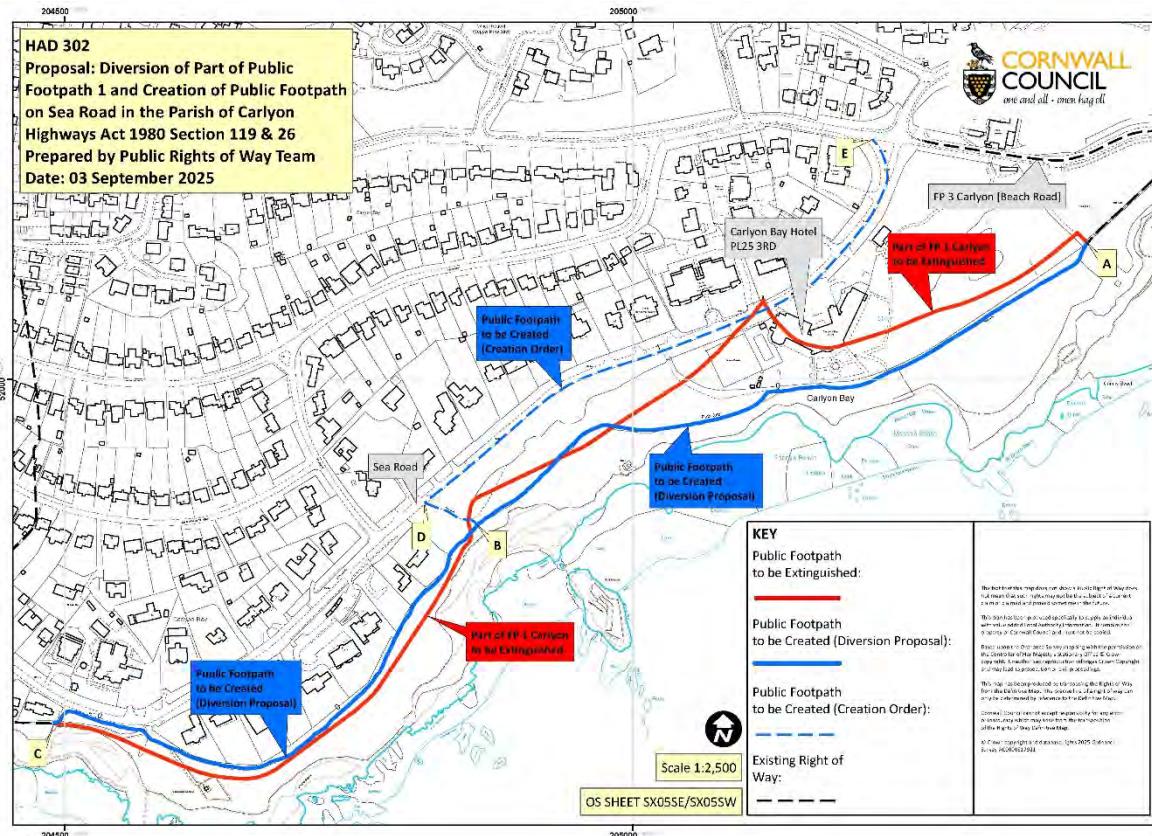
History of the Path – Current Definitive Map (2006)



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PPO – 1st Consultation

In September 2025, a PPO consultation regarding the potential diversion of Public Footpath 1 Carlyon, as well as the creation of a Footpath along Sea Road was sent out – this received upwards of 180 responses, with the majority in objection.

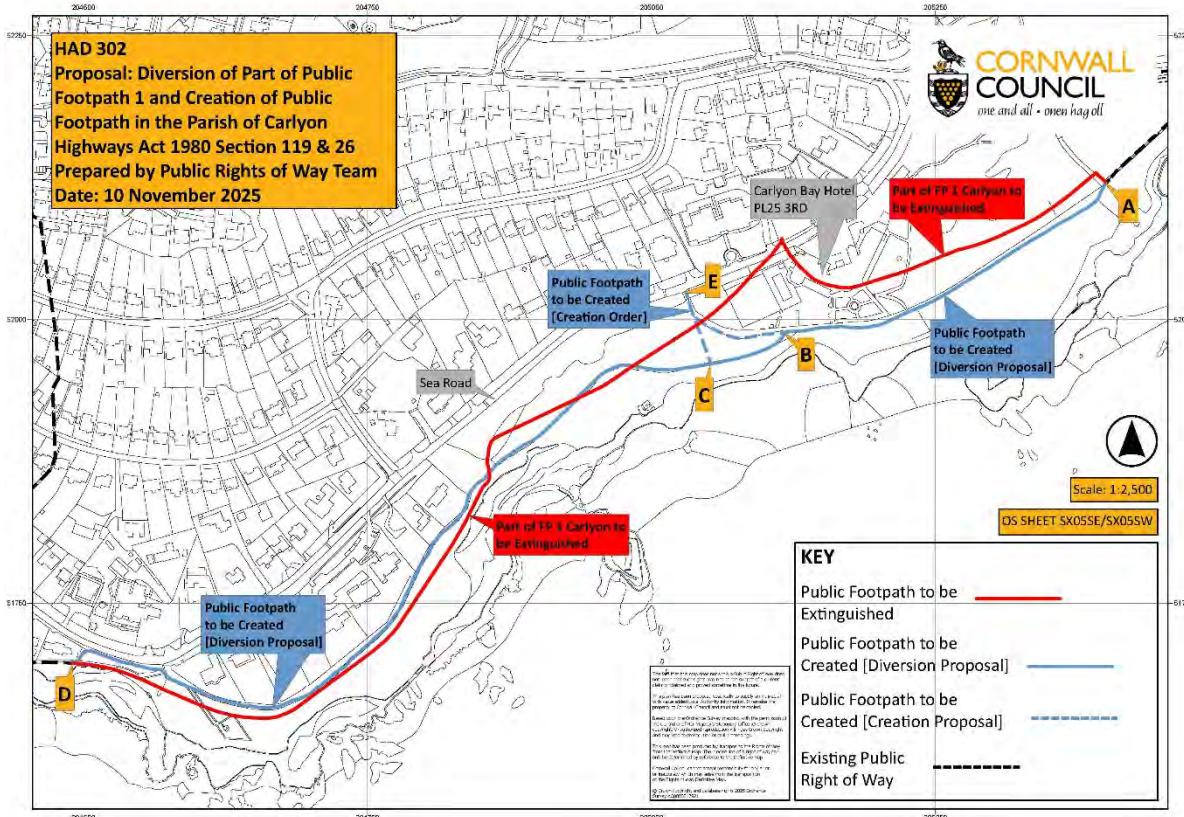


Many of the objections received referenced the creation of a Footpath along Sea Road (≈ 80), the Spur between B-D and the lack of a PROW between the SWCP & the “Coastguard Gate” on Sea Road.

Following this, the focus of the objections was shared with the applicant, and a second proposal was created, considering the objections.

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PPO – 2nd Consultation



The applicants amended the proposal: the section along Sea Road has been removed, and the revised proposal now includes the spur leading to the “Coastguard Gate” and Sea Road. These changes reflect the feedback received to the 1st Consultation.

The 2nd Consultation received 93 objections and 133 petition signatures that have focused mainly on the access point at the “Coastguard Gate”, other “long walked paths” and previous pre-planning requests regarding West Crinnis Field.

Net Gain for the PROW Network: 134 metres of Public Footpath added. When assessing proposals, we often look at length, directness, width, gradients, structures, condition, connectivity, accessibility, ease of use, interests etc.

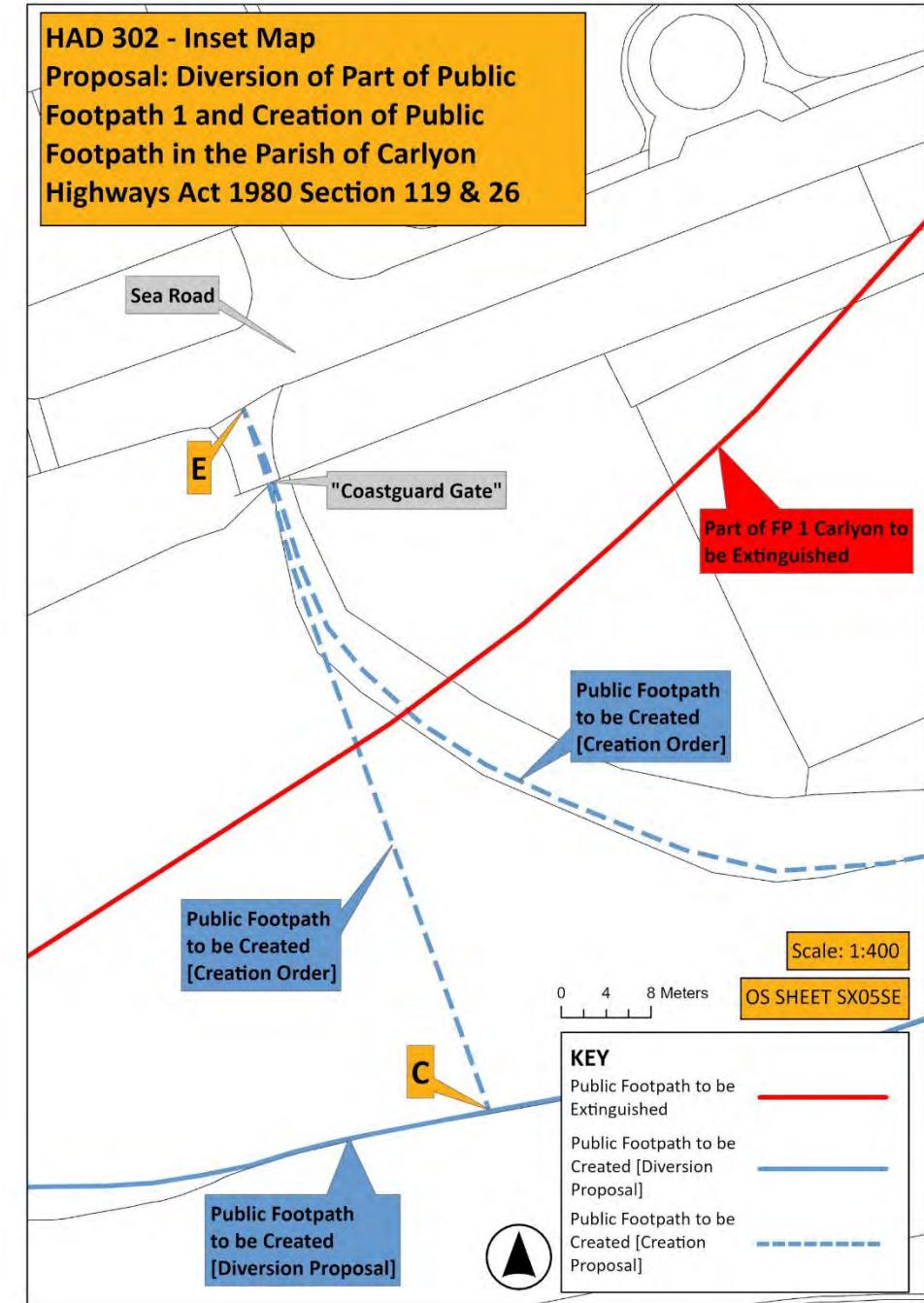


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“Coastguard Gate”

Access Point

- The revised proposal now includes two spurs leading to the “Coastguard Gate” and connecting to Sea Road.
- With these spurs recorded as PROW, there would be access to the SWCP from Sea Road.
- Responses mentioned the spurs running along Sea Road to the current location of FP 1 Carlyon on Sea Road, this is not possible as PROW must terminate at a highway.



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PROW & Planning

- Public Path Orders under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 are Made if they are necessary to enable development, this does not apply to HAD 302.
- The application for HAD 302 was submitted under the Highways Act 1980, not the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Highways Act 1990 Section 119 (Diversion Order) and Section 26 (Creation Order).
- Consequently, any potential planning & development concerns, such as the pre-planning application in 2023, are irrelevant to the decision on whether the proposal is accepted and an Order should be Made.
- It is essential that the PPO is assessed independently.



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PROW & Wider Access

- Objections to 2nd Consultation reference other “long walked paths” and access to the entire field.
- The PPO concerns only the diversion of Public Footpath 1 Carlyon, and the creation of two spurs to Sea Road via the “Coastguard Gate”.
- Public Footpath 1 Carlyon is the only Public Right of Way recorded through West Crinnis Field.
- PROW do not grant unrestricted access to entire parcels of land; they are linear highways over which you can pass and repass along a defined route. The current definitive statement records FP 1 Carlyon with a minimum width of “Part 2.0 metres” – this is the same as the proposed diversion route.
- The SWCP is not offered the same legal protection as Public Rights of Way.



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PROW & Wider Access

- Regarding other “long walked paths”, the PPO process is not used to record ‘unrecorded’ rights of way. Instead, a DMMO application provides a mechanism by which any member of the public can make a claim to add a path to the network of PROW. An application must be made based on the discovery of evidence that the definitive map and statement should be amended. DMMOs are not about whether it is a good thing that the path should be added, but about whether public rights exist.
- Access to the entirety of West Crinnis Field has also been mentioned in the response to the 2nd consultation. Designation as a Local Green Space does not itself confer any rights of public access over the land.
- A previous application to register West Crinnis Field as Village Green (a village green gives local inhabitants a right to use the land for sports and pastimes) failed as the use of the field was not deemed ‘as of right’. The use of most of the land was seen to have been because of the lease whereby the land is held by Carlyon Parish Council for the enjoyment of local visitors and residents.





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Any Questions?**