

Request for Application Forms for a Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO)

Please read the [Definitive Map Modification Order guidance notes](#) before completing this form.

Answering the questions below will help us to understand your proposed application and to identify any issues that we need to discuss further with you.

Once we have read your response we will contact you, if needed, and then send you an application pack.

Please note: -

- There may be a lengthy delay before processing your application. We do have an extensive caseload and each application needs considerable investigation and may be contentious.
- Every application needs an applicant. This can be a member of the public or an organisation, such as a parish council or a group such as The Ramblers.
- The applicant leads on collecting evidence to support the application.
- Applications can be based on historic evidence such as old maps and documents or by collecting evidence from individuals that have used the way for a long period of time.
- The applicant and witnesses should, as far as possible, be willing to support the application if it goes to a public inquiry. Witnesses should be prepared to be interviewed by us at a later date as part of our investigation.
- The more user evidence forms and the higher the quality of the forms (e.g. the greater the frequency of use in the relevant period), the stronger the case will be.
- There is no specific minimum number of users necessary for a successful application, but you need to provide evidence of significant use of a route over a period of at least 20 years

DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION: Personal data is held in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation and as described in the Council's Privacy Notice for Public Rights of Way, Commons and Town & Village Greens which is available on the Council's website. This application form and the details contained therein will be considered by Oxfordshire County Council as part of its statutory duty to establish whether a right of way exists and will be disseminated widely for these purposes and made available to the public.

**Summary of Proposed
Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) Application**

Applicant Name.....

Address.....

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Post Code.....

Telephone.....

Email.....

Details of Proposed application

Parish(es) affected.....

Description of path

From.....

To.....

Please also mark the route of the path on a map and return with this summary

1. Is the path currently recorded on the Definitive Map?

(If yes, please provide the path reference number)

2. Believed Status of Path (Footpath / Bridleway / Restricted Byway / Byway Open to All Traffic).....

See DMMO guidance notes (click on link above) for definition of these types

3. What prompted this enquiry?.....

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For applications based on or including evidence of use of the way by the public:

4. How long has the path been used by the public?

5. Has the path always run over the same route?
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6. Does the path have a well-defined surface / follow a well-defined track?
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7. Have there ever been any stiles, unlocked gates, locked gates or other obstructions on the path?

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(If yes, please give details, together with dates of any obstructions)

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8. Has anyone ever been stopped or turned back when using the path?

(If yes, please give dates)

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9. Has anyone ever been told that the path was not public?

10. Have there ever been any notices such as “Private”, or “No public right of way”?

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(If so, what did the notices say, and give dates when these appeared)

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11. Do you know who owns the land over which the path runs?

(If yes, please give details)

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12. Has anyone ever been given permission to use the path?

13. What is the approximate number of witnesses who would complete ‘User Evidence Statements’?

14. What is the approximate number of years they have used the route?

For applications based on or including historic or documentary evidence:

15. Please give details of the historic or documentary evidence to support this route as a public right of way

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Please give any other information that you think is relevant below

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