

Supplementary information Final Comments requested by PINS 13th March

1. Document 6 - Link to Strategic and Planning Committee 26th July

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=auuwXoaON4A>

Relevant meeting starts at 2 hours. 56 minutes. 12 seconds (2.56.12) and finishes 3.34.50

Brief summary:

3.00.50 - The presentation by Dorset Council Greenspace Team is similar to their written representations.

3.03.43 - 3.04.19 - pictures of the obstructions by vegetation and barbed wire, without lawful, authority of B80

3.12.00 Mark Oppe presents case for opposing the Application and at

3.15.05 compromise solution which would satisfy concerns of landowner and enjoyment of public

3.16.30 Landowner Dominic Hazlehurst presents supporting case

3.21.50 Councillor Took concerns over maintenance of rights of way;

3.22.10 “ we are where we are “ as a reason for diversion and extinguishment;

3.23.06 “ neglect by Dorset Council “;

3.23.16 “ convenience for landowners “

3.25.36 - Russel Goff (Senior Ranger Dorset Council) claims that they never received notifications that B80 was obstructed. Please see my point 2.5 in Statement of Case 27th January 2026. I also sent emails to Russel Goff and escalated to other Dorset Council staff as Russel Goff never responded.

2.5. I first brought this to the attention of Dorset Council on 23/01/2022 Dorset Council

reference MT55067. Previous reports under Dorset Council reference MNT 54100 on 30/09/2021

and subsequent reports including MNT60133 on 12/06/2023 also report the obstructions. There has been no meaningful action to resolve the obstructions so the public can use and enjoy the

route.

3.25.36 Russel Goff also states “ we are where we are “ as a reason for diversion and extinguishment.

3.34.00 Meeting concludes

2. Document 7 - Link to BBC Open Country- Hedgerow havens. Broadcast March 2026

Taken from programme synopsis: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m002s3fy>

In this programme, Martha explores the history and future of the hedge. She talks to a wildlife expert, who explains why hedges are so important for wildlife and outlines the vital role they have to play in our ecosystem.

The programme is from East Devon where the same hedge laying techniques are used to maintain hedgerows as in West Dorset. This would include B80, if it had been maintained.