

NOTICE BY THE APPOINTED PERSON UNDER PARAGRAPH 10 OF
SCHEDULE 1A TO THE NATIONAL PARKS AND ACCESS TO THE
COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1949: OBJECTIONS ABOUT A COASTAL ACCESS
REPORT

HEARING

At

The Market Hall, Church Street, Wigton CA7 9AA

Commencing at 10.00 am on Wednesday 6 December 2017

On 25 July 2016 Natural England submitted a coastal access report to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs under section 51 of the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 pursuant to its duty under section 296(1) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. The report relates to Gretna to Allonby.

A person has been appointed ^(a) for the purpose of considering objections which have been received in relation to the report.

The appointed person is minded to determine that the proposals in the report fail, in the respects specified in the objections, to strike a fair balance ^(b) as a result of the matter or matters specified in those objections.

The appointed person, appointed by the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, will attend at the place, date and time shown above to consider the following:

- 1. Flooding of areas of salt marsh and consequent dangers to walkers**
- 2. Impacts of proposed route on farming practices, including safety issues**
- 3. Disturbance of wintering and/or breeding birds**
- 4. Possible alternative routes**

Everyone is welcome to attend the entire hearing, however, you may choose to be present only when particular objections will be heard at the following times:

10am Wednesday 6 December 2017	to consider the objections by Messrs Baxter & Read concerning Chapter 2 map 2c
2pm on Wednesday 6 December 2017	to consider the objections by Burgh Marsh Management Committee concerning Chapter 2, maps 2f, 2g, 2h and 2i
10am Thursday 7 December 2017	to consider the objections by Messrs Horsley & Harrington concerning Chapter 3 map 3h
2pm on Thursday 7 December 2017	to consider the objections by Mr Jackson concerning Chapter 4 map 4g
10am Friday 8 December 2017	to consider the objections by Messrs Atkinson, Wills & Hill concerning Chapter 4 map 4a and 4b

A copy of the report and a map of the area indicating the proposed line of the route, which is the subject of the objections and representations received as a result of the notice dated 22 May 2017, is available at <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/england-coast-path-from-gretna-to-allonby-comment-on-proposals>

Members of the public may attend the hearing and, at the discretion of the Inspector, express their views. If you are disabled and concerned about facilities at the hearing venue, please contact the venue on tel 016973 44555 to confirm that suitable provisions are in place.

Contact point at the Planning Inspectorate:

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- (a) See paragraph 4(2) of Schedule 1A to the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949.
- (b) A fair balance means a fair balance between the interests of the public in having rights of access over land, and the interests of any person with a relevant interest in the land (see paragraph 1(b) of Schedule 1A to the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1949 and section 297(3) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009).