

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to you regarding the Footpath diversion that is currently in dispute Holmfirth footpath 60.

I fully support this diversion as I visit Holmfirth with my family so my children can see their grandparents and great-grandparents. We have used the new diverted footpath on several occasions now, and it adds other aspects of enjoyment to our walk. Myself, my partner and our extended family have the joy of taking in the new beautiful views and my children enjoy the wildlife that can be seen in the pond and meadow area.

I am aware of people talking about the dangers of the new footpath entrance and exit and the reality is, the new exit has a clear view up and down the road and the old exit comes out on a blind bend to the left. Any road without a footpath has its dangers, and caution should always be taken which has never stopped people walking the route before. There is even a grass verge in place up towards the old exit for people to use rather than the road.

We have felt awkward at times walking down the current footpath when members of the families that live at these properties are enjoying downtime and we feel very intrusive. The new footpath removes any problems with this. The house owner has gone to great efforts and I presume great expense to make this footpath beautiful including seating and a soft surface so, in my humble opinion, there is no reason for people to be still using the current footpath.

The only thing the new footpath takes away is the ability for people to be nosey whilst walking down someone's driveway.

Kindest Regards

Thomas