Matter 4 Transport and Infrastructure

Maintenance and Development of Paths

6.88 (or thereabouts) add

“Access to the Natural Network - Paths
We recognize that the natural network of the area, based greatly on riverside and valley formations, contributes to health and wellbeing and habitat in many ways. Access is crucial but must be tempered by the avoidance of overuse and degradation. Access may be on foot, by cycle or horse. We will:

• Nominate an officer with responsibility for maintenance and development of paths. Include the protection and development of Public (and Permissive) Rights of Way.
• Make public (publish) the network of paths
• Liaise with groups wishing to develop paths. This may include duties as a Public Rights of Way officer.
• Fast track the application and enforcement of Rights of Way.
• Ensure that development proposals include, where possible, the gain of public access to greenspace.
• Actively prohibit and prosecute the unauthorized use of paths e.g. by track bikes.
• Consider measures to help those of limited mobility where it is effective to do so.

Small contributions to infrastructure

DEV 31 add

“Where no direct contribution to the infrastructure of the affected area is made, we will form a fund which will allow such small contributions to be made.”

Contribution to Flood Management Infrastructure

DEV 37  3 ii “...a contribution towards, or a commitment to undertake such off-site measures as may be necessary to meet required flood protection standards” add “is applied in all cases of development”

and is linked to DEL 1 as follows:

DEL 1  3 iv add “and Critical Drainage Areas.”