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Subject:	GE13227: INFORMAL CONSULTATION - FOOTPATH 36 CHELMSFORD, CHELMSFORD CITY - acknowledgement of your footpath enquiry
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Dear Robert,

Thank you for your enquiry of 4th December 2020.

Flood Defence Consents now fall under the new Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 system (EPR). You may need an environmental permit for flood risk activities if you want to do work in, under, over or within 8 metres from the 'fluvial' river and from any flood defence structure or culvert or 16m from the 'tidal' river and from any flood defence structure or culvert or any activity within 16 metres of the base of a sea defence which is likely to endanger the stability of, cause damage to or reduce the effectiveness of that sea defence, or interfere with the regulator's access to or along that sea defence.

The EPR is a risk-based framework that enables us to focus regulatory effort towards activities with highest flood or environmental risk. Lower risk activities will be excluded or exempt and only higher risk activities will require a permit. Your proposed works may fall under one or more of the below:

- 'Exemption,
- 'Exclusion',
- 'Standard Risks Permit'
- 'Bespoke permit.

New forms and further information can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activities-environmental-permits . You are breaking the law if you carry out these activities without a permit unless you are exempt.

If you have any queries, please contact our National Customer Contact Centre. They will then be able to tell you the classification of your application, the fee associated with your application, and how to proceed forward. They can be contacted by email: floodriskactivity@environment-agency.gov.uk

This reply has been drafted without conducting a specific search of our records. If you have reason to think that your proposal will affect land or equipment we own please resubmit your enquiry making this clear.

Erection of flow control structures or any culverting of an ordinary watercourse requires consent from the Lead Local Flood Authority which is the County Council. It is best to discuss proposals for any works with them at an early stage.

The contact details for the flood defence consenting team in your area is as follows:

Essex County Council contact details

Essex County Council Flood Team
Essex County Council,

County Hall,
Market Road,
Chelmsford CM1 1LX
Telephone: 03457 430430
Email: watercourse.regulation@essex.gov.uk

In addition to the above please be aware that a licence, consent or permit may also be required for the following:

- Treatment, storage or disposal of waste
- Discharge of effluent from private sewage disposal systems
- Discharge of surface water drainage and/or trade waste waters
- Works in, under, over or in close proximity to a watercourse
- Abstraction or Impoundment of water
- Movement of fish
- Keeping or use of radioactive substances
- Complex industrial processes involving prescribed substances

If your development is likely to involve any of the above processes, please contact your local Environment Agency office.

We have also sent your enquiry to our Fisheries, Biodiversty & Geomorphology and Asset Performance teams and if they have any further comments to make these will be sent under separate cover.

Thank you for taking the time to consult us on this matter.

Kind regards,
Lisa

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From: Robert Lee [mailto:Robert.Lee@essexhighways.org]
Sent: 04 December 2020 12:08
Subject: INFORMAL CONSULTATION - FOOTPATH 36 CHELMSFORD, CHELMSFORD CITY

Dear Sir/Madam,

Essex County Council would welcome your thoughts on the above diversion proposal. This is an informal consultation only and no Order has yet been made.

Please note this informal consultation is not a statutory requirement on the Highway Authority. Its aim is to enable the principal stakeholders to comment on the proposed changes; feedback which is then considered by the Highway Authority and provided to the applicant.
It is not intended as a public consultation. The public are informed and invited to respond if they so wish at the formal, Made Order consultation stage via on-site notices and plans, and the newspaper advertisement for the order/s.
To enable us to continue this discretionary service we would appreciate it if informal consultations are not shared with the public excepting public meetings for parish councils as no order has yet been made and public comments on the proposals are not at this stage being sought.

Highways Act 1980 Section 119
Essex County Council intend to make the following order:

To divert Footpath 36 in the parish of Chelmsford in the City of Chelmsford under section 119 of the Highways Act as shown on the attached Plan.

If you have any comment to make please do so by 1 January 2021.

Please be advised that if an order is made for this proposal then any representation to that order will need to be made (in writing) at the time of that order's public consultation.
Prior responses to the informal process will not be considered as carried forward to the made order consultation process.

Regards

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