PROPOSED DIVERSION OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO. 431023, PARISH OF WHITEHAVEN – AMENDMENT TO ROUTE

Lead Officer: Tony Pomfret - Principal Planning Officer

To inform Members of the proposed diversion of Public Footpath No. 431023, Parish of Whitehaven.

Recommendation: That the proposal be supported.

Resource Implications: Nil.

1.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 1.1 The Council has been consulted by Capita Symonds with regards to the above proposal, a copy of which is appended to this report.
- 1.2 The proposal would divert the existing route for a distance of 340 metres safely around a driving range at Whitehaven Golf Course. This differs from the previous proposal considered by Members on 19 July 2006 insofar as the route has now been amended to follow alongside the driving range fence, rather than along a nearby pathway.
- 1.3 The driving range was the subject of a recent planning application (4/05/2165 refers), during the consideration of which this issue arose. However, an amended plan was submitted showing that the driving range did not interfere with the public footpath and was subsequently accepted by both Capita Symonds and Cumbria Highways. This has since been found not to be the case, so the owners are now seeking to divert the footpath.

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Appendix: A copy of the Capita Symonds consultation dated 16

October 2006 is attached.