Stage 1: Pre-application preparations

- Application agreed in principle as likely to meet legal tests and NMU adoption criteria. Road safety audit result provided (if required).
- Application considered unlikely to meet legal tests or NMU adoption criteria: advised not to proceed; other options suggested.

Application processed through NMU adoption criteria or Public Path Order Division Applications criteria

Applicant undertakes pre-application consultations

No issues raised

- Issues resolved: APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO CCC
- Issues unresolved: advice sought from CCC

Issues raised

- Applicant considers and resolves issues
- Issues unrelated to legal tests: Advised to abandon

Contact Rights Of Way Officer, Asset Information Definitive Map Officer + Road Safety for site visit and to discuss process, including Equality Act 2010 considerations

Please note that further guidance is available from NE112 - A guide to definitive maps and changes to public rights of way - 2008 Revision
Stage 2: Formal Consultations and Decision

Within 10 working days

Application acknowledged with approximate timescale for commencing if set to proceed

1. Adoption scoring criteria reviewed.
2. Authorisation form to proceed completed

Successful

Unsuccessful

CCC formal consultations (statutory consultees, all affected parties and utility companies (4 weeks allowed)

No objections/issues raised

Objections/issues raised

CCC will resolve if possible. If not, will revert to applicant to resolve

Resolved

Unresolved. May advise to abandon depending on nature of problem.

- Report to Director for Decision (and Planning Authority if s257 TCPA1990 application – NB this will add about a month to the process)

Application allowed; applicant advised

Application refused (no appeal available); applicant advised

Month 2/3 from advised start

Order made

Stage 3 Order-making
**Stage 3: Order-making**

Month 3/4 from advised start

Order made

Order published on site and in local newspaper
4-week period for objections

No objections

Agreement with landowner as to when any necessary works will be done.

Objections received
- Applicant informed
- CCC will try to resolve or will revert to applicant depending on nature of objection

Objections withdrawn

Order confirmed

Order may meet legal tests. Decision to send to Planning Inspectorate for decision,

Planning Inspectorate determine through public inquiry, hearing or written representations

Order not confirmed, no change takes place. No invoice.

Definitive Map & Statement modified. Applicant advised of end of process.

Objections not withdrawn.

Order unlikely to meet legal tests: Decision to abandon

Month 5

Confirmation published.
Six-week period for appeal to High Court on technical grounds
Applicant invoiced.