

Public Rights of Way – Closure and Diversion Plan

The development proposals which are the subject of this planning application will temporarily affect a number of PRowS and some temporary closures/diversions will be required to maintain the safety of the public during construction. Footpaths will be affected as follows:

- Disley FP5 – Temporary closure for up to 3 years (duration of construction period). This closure is to enable construction of the new Service Reservoir. A diversion route is available along existing PRowS.
- Disley FP11 & FP13 (and possibly FP12) – Temporary closure for up to 3 years (duration of construction period). This closure is required because both of these footpaths emerge on Jacksons Edge Road, within the proposed construction working area. For the safety of the public, closure of these footpaths will serve to discourage public access to Jacksons Edge Road for the duration of construction. United Utilities is currently exploring the possibility of:
 - a temporary diversion along existing informal footpath routes and within the field containing the excavated material storage area. For such an arrangement, walkers would be safely segregated from construction working areas.
 - providing a diversion along existing walked routes within Disleybank Wood. However, this is subject to obtaining appropriate landowner agreement. If we can obtain the agreement of the landowner, this would allow FP12 to remain open with a diversion route continuing within the field off Light Alders Lane.

In addition to the above temporary closures/diversions, the installation of the scour route will affect Disley FP4. A temporary closure will be required for approximately 6 months within the first 18 months of construction. A diversion route is available along existing PRowS.

United Utilities has consulted with Cheshire East's PRow Officer and Disley Footpath Society to develop a considered approach to these temporary closures and diversions. Further discussions are proposed to agree more precisely how any temporary closures and diversions will be implemented.

