

THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY IN HERTFORDSHIRE

User Guide for Rights of Way Digital Map Data

If you want to view the rights of way map online please go to the Hertfordshire County Council website at: <https://webmaps.hertfordshire.gov.uk/row/row.htm>

The Rights of Way Digital Map Data for Hertfordshire is available for use with Geographic Information Systems (GIS) in ESRI ® Shapefile format. Please read the advice below:

The Digital Data is NOT the Definitive Map. The data held digitally at the present time includes legal changes to 17 February 2020.

Limitations of the data

The data can only be described as the working copy of the DM if:

- shown against the OS VectorMap Local Raster map base at 1:10,000 scale,
- shown using the correct line thickness, representing a standard 8m width, for all paths on the map (i.e. a line width of 0.8mm at 1:10,000 scale),
- shown using the colours set down by the [Wildlife & Countryside Regulations 1993](#). The symbols used to represent lines on the sealed DM are not available to users at this time.

If you choose to use the data in any other way you should show the following disclaimer;

Public Rights of Way

The Rights of Way information on this plan is based on information from the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way in Hertfordshire ("the Definitive Map"). Accuracy of this plan cannot be guaranteed. If in doubt the Definitive Map should be consulted.

These limitations and restrictions may seem onerous but they are intended to help users get the best from the data and to avoid misunderstanding and misinterpretation.

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The working copy of the Definitive Map

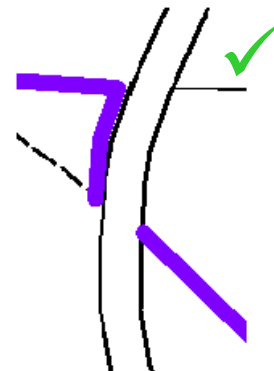
This is an extract of the working copy of the Definitive Map at approximately 1:10,000 scale. In this example the relative positions of the Public Rights of Way (PRoW) are the same as on the sealed Definitive Map and the width of the line representing the PRoW are the same.

The Definitive Map shows the positions of PRoW relative to the features shown by the OS VectorMap Local Raster data rather than the true geographical position.



Using a different scale

You may view and print the map at larger scales and provided that the OS VectorMap Local Raster data is used it will still be representative of the working copy of the Definitive Map. The relative positions of the PRoW are the same and the width of the line on the map represents the same width on the ground.



Using the wrong map base

If you show the digital data against a different map base it will no longer be a true representation of the working copy of the Definitive Map because the PRoW will not necessarily appear in the correct geographical position. PRoW have been digitised relative to the features shown by the OS VectorMap Local Raster data and these features may not appear, or maybe shown differently, on other base maps. In this example OS MasterMap data has been used and the Footpath appears offset from the road rather than running immediately adjacent to it.



Using the wrong key symbols

If you use different key symbols it will no longer be a true representation of the working copy of the Definitive Map, it will only be an indication of the content of the Definitive Map. In this example a narrower line has been used and the Footpath appears offset from the road rather than running immediately adjacent to it and no longer represents the true width of the path.

