

Recording our White Roads

Improving awareness
of the legislation

These vary from tarmac roads, two track stoned lanes to green lanes, shown by OS without colour infill.

Those that are adopted highways should be on the LoS, but unadopted highways would not be on the LoS.

Leads to a footpath



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1991 New Roads and Street Works Act section 53 requires that a Street Works Register be raised.

Section 4(5) of The Street Works (Registers, Notices, Directions and Designations) (England) Regulations 2007 includes making the highway authority responsible for securing the registration of :-

'Every street, of which the local highway authority are aware, which is a highway but for which they are not the street authority'

These are our unadopted
'white' roads, they being
highways for which the
highway authority has not
accepted liability to maintain,
i.e., they are not the street
authority

A through route



Section 53(3) of 1991 NRSWA provides that the authority shall make the register available for inspection, at all reasonable hours and free of charge, by any person

Section 4(3) of the 2007 Regulations stipulates that the Register shall comply with BS7666 for Street Gazetteers, i.e., when asking to view the 'Street Works Register' may be shown the 'Local Street Gazetteer'

The Local Street Gazetteers
are being upgraded making
use of highway dedication
codes mandatory, scheduled
to be completed end March

5.7.1 Highway Dedication Codes

5.7.1 - Highway Dedication codes	
Code	HIGHWAY_DEDICATION_CODE
2	Byway Open to All Traffic (BOAT)
4	Pedestrian way or footpath
6	Cycle Track or Cycle Way
8	All Vehicles
9	Restricted byway
10	Bridleway
11	Motorway
12	Neither ²⁰ 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10 nor 11 ²¹

So by April we can expect to be able to view the LHA highway records with unadopted 'white' road gaps registered, and with highway dedication codes for both the maintainable and unadopted 'white' roads

This will provide a base map,
showing maintainable
roads, unadopted roads that
are highways, and public
rights of way, ready for the
Deregulation Act procedures
to come into effect

So check that your LHA has
this in hand.

LAF's are the advisory body,
this is happening on your
watch, and if any problems
raise advice, including
informing the Minister as if
do not tell him he will not
know.

A through route that used to be
main road through village



Steps are in hand to combine
the LHA LSG Street Data
with the OS ITN Street Data
to create a single, unified
highways product, with an
open data version to be
made available

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Department for Transport project with Ordnance Survey will deliver the next generation road mapping for England and Wales.



Transport Minister Robert Goodwill has today (25 February 2015) announced that the Department for Transport will contribute £3 million to help create a digital road map that will give the most detailed information yet to councils and emergency services.

The new map, developed by Ordnance Survey, has the potential to transform how all levels of government maintain and improve roads by detailing information such as road widths, traffic calming measures and height and weight restrictions. This dataset could also be linked to other information held by government, including planned road works and cycle paths.

Ordnance Survey integrated transport network map

For guidance on search terms and the map toolbar visit our [how to use our maps \(https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/government-citizens-and-rights/customer-services-enquiries/how-to-use-our-maps\)](https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/government-citizens-and-rights/customer-services-enquiries/how-to-use-our-maps) page.

Search map



The map uses the following key for the integrated transport network:

Integrated Transport Network Key	
Motorway	
Trunk Road	
A road	
B road	
Minor Road	
Local Street	
Private Road	
Paths and Others	

Private and Restricted Access as used on the map, are terms attributed to a road by Ordnance Survey based on their interpretation of whether the route can be used by vehicles. They do not describe whether the routes can be used by walkers, cyclists or horse riders.

Herefordshire Council's public highway network can be viewed on the [explore Herefordshire map \(https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/beta/explore-herefordshire-map\)](https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/beta/explore-herefordshire-map).

LHA's have a key part in this as OS do not override the LHA LSG street data, and with LHA's presently not using the LSG highway dedication codes the OS ITN shows our 'white' unadopted roads as 'Private'

Presently shown as 'private' by OS
with public street lights leading to
footways to other local roads



Presently shown as 'private' by OS
leading to a footpath



Presently shown as 'private' by OS leading to a bridleway and footpaths



LAF's are the advisory body,
this is happening on your
watch, so check that your
LHA is complying, and if any
problems advise the
Minister, as if do not tell him
he will not know.