# Norfolk Local Access Forum

Item No.

Report title:	England Coast Path - Weybourne to Hunstanton	
Date of meeting:	18 April 2018	
Responsible Officer:	Steve Miller, Assistant Director Culture and Heritage	

#### Strategic impact

The County Council is a consultee on the route of the England Coast Path. Once finally agreed, responsibility for its maintenance and promotion will pass from Natural England to the County. The report from Natural England provides the formal opportunity to comment on the proposed route and associated arrangements.

## **Executive summary**

The report covers the third of four stretches of England Coast Path in Norfolk. The first two (Hopton on Sea to Sea Palling and Sea Palling to Weybourne) have been open for some time. The fourth stretch (Hunstanton to Sutton Bridge) is still under consideration by Natural England. Representations are invited by the closing date of 16 May 2018.

#### **Recommendation:**

That the LAF invites its members to submit comments on the report by 1 May (or some other agreed date), to be consolidated and circulated by 7 May, for final approval by 14 May in time for submission by the deadline of 16 May.

## 1. **Proposal (or options)**

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## 2. Evidence

Links to the Natural England report were circulated to all members on 21 March, the day they were published - <u>www.gov.uk/government/collections/england-</u> <u>coast-path-weybourne-to-hunstanton</u>. The proposals are available to download at <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/england-coast-path-from-</u> <u>weybourne-to-hunstanton-comment-on-proposals</u>. Information about this process is given in the letter sent to Martin Sullivan, attached see Appendix 1.

## 3. Financial Implications

There are no financial implications for the process of making a representation, other than the modest staff time required.

## 4. Issues, risks and innovation

Failure to make a representation could lead to the County having to accept a less than optimal route and/or associated arrangements.

## 5. Background

Please refer to the 'Evidence' section of this report.

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