KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULATION COMMITTEE MEMBER PANEL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Regulation Committee Member Panel held in the Pendragon, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone on Friday, 19 March 2010.

PRESENT: Mr M J Harrison (Chairman), Mr A D Crowther (Vice-Chairman), Mr T Gates, Mr S J G Koowaree and Mr R A Pascoe

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr C Wade (PROW Team Manager (definition)), Mr M Garvey, Ms M McLaughlin and Mr A Tait (Democratic Services Officer)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

5. Application to divert part of Public Footpath MT114 at Hadlow College, Hadlow

(Item 3)

- (1) Members of the Panel visited the site at Hadlow College, Hadlow before the meeting.
- (2) Mr D Wetton from the Ramblers' Association addressed the Panel in opposition to the application. Ms K Lidington from dha Planning spoke in reply on behalf of the applicants.
- (3) RESOLVED to refuse the application to make an order under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 to divert Public Footpath MT114 because the proposed diversion would be substantially less convenient to the public and would have a negative impact on public enjoyment of the path as a whole.

6. Application to divert Public Bridleway MR108 (Parts) at Ditton and at East Malling and Larkfield (Item 4)

- (1) Members of the Panel visited the site of the proposed diversion before the meeting.
- (2) Mr N Ward from the Ramblers' Association addressed the Panel in opposition to the proposed diversion. Mr T La Dell from Tom La Dell Landscape Artists spoke in reply on behalf of the applicants.
- (3) RESOLVED to make two Orders under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980 (and, if necessary submit these Orders to the Secretary of State for resolution) to divert:-
 - (a) part of Public Bridleway MR108 at Ditton on the grounds that it is expedient to divert the path in the interest of the landowner and occupier for as long as the current route is retained at footpath status; and

